

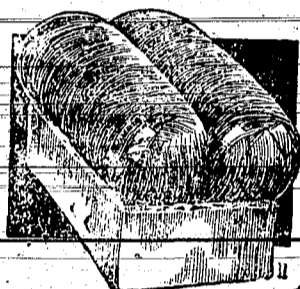
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FIFTH ANNUAL
NEW YEAR BALLLOYAL ORDER OF MOOSE HAVE
FINE PARTY.

About 90 Couples Enjoyed Dancing and Social Event.

The first large dancing party of the season was that of the Loyal Order of Moose when they entertained New Year night with their fifth annual ball.

This was held at the Temple theatre. The place was pretty with red and white crepe-lattice work draping in arches, full length of the room. Above the stage were suspended, in large cut out white letters, the letters forming the words "Happy New Year" and below in red "L.O.O.M. 1162," the latter being the number of the local lodge. Also on the stage was draped a handsome large American flag, and below the balcony were three American flags, also nicely draped. In one corner of the room was a refreshment booth serving cold raspberry punch.

The party started promptly at 9:30 p. m. and for the next hour the guests continued to arrive. There were fully ninety couples present and this was as delightful a party as this Order has ever given. Music was furnished by Clark's orchestra.

At about 10:00 o'clock the orchestra began the strains of the Missouri waltz, and the dancers selected partners for the prize waltz. After viewing the dancing for several minutes the judges—George Belanger, Harold Rasmussen and Elmer Rasmussen, all the dancers were asked to vacate the floor—with the exception of about a dozen couples who had qualified to compete for the prizes offered. Finally all the dancers except Leon LaMothe and Miss Catherine Clark and Gordon Chamberlin and Miss Hulda Strals left the floor, the former couple finally being declared by the judges to be the winners of the first prize and the latter the second prize. The prizes offered were a cut glass bon bon dish and a gold pocket knife for the winners of the first prize and a large, dressed doll for the second prize winners.

Following the prize waltz the guests enjoyed a serve-self luncheon in the lodge rooms above the ball room. The dancing continued to about 2:30 o'clock the next morning. Grayling lodge is to be complimented upon the fine party they gave. Everything was done by the members to make it pleasant and the crowd went there intending to have an enjoyable evening and they came away more than pleased.

Lieut. M. J. Phillips Married on Border.

El Paso, Texas, Jan. 1.—Lieut. Michael J. Phillips, aide to Gen. Kirk, commanding the Michigan brigade, and Miss Lily Ann McIntyre, of Ventura, Cal., were married Saturday morning by Rev. Fr. P. R. Dunigan, chaplain of the Thirtieth Michigan regiment, at the El Paso Catholic church. Gen. Kirk and Mrs. U. G. Welland, of El Paso, were witnesses. The bride has been a teacher in El Paso schools for two and a half years. Lieut. Phillips and his bride are en route home with his regiment.

Don't Neglect The Kidneys.
Do you take a kidney tablet once in a while, the same as you do a cathartic? If you don't, you should, because the kidneys are blood filters and need cleaning themselves the same as your bowels. Dr. N. B. Doan's Kidney Tablets are for this purpose and are for sale at Mr. Lewis' store. Samples will be sent on request by the Botanic Drug Co., Detroit, Mich.

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The Habit of Taking Cold.
With many people taking cold is a habit, but fortunately one that is easily broken. Take a cold sponge-bath every morning when you first get out of bed—not ice cold, but a temperature of about 90 degrees F. Also sleep with your window up. Do this and you will seldom take cold. When you do take cold take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and get rid of it as quickly as possible. Obtainable everywhere.

In the Arena
of Sports

New Wrestling Marvel

John Olin, the big Finn, who recently defeated Joe Stecher, holder of the heavy weight wrestling title, in Springfield, Mass., is hot after all the big grapplers in America. Olin is now traveling around the country, meeting all comers and throwing them in his time too.

According to Hjalmer Lundin, the Swedish champion, who is training the Finn, Olin is the greatest mat artist in the world today, but none. In

Photo by American Press Association.
JOHN L. OLIN

talking about the Finn recently Lundin said:

"Olin has been in the country about four years and has done but little wrestling, due to the fact that the others were afraid of him. He came to this country with a great record, having defeated every grappler of note abroad. Stecher was treated to a big surprise when he tackled Olin. The champion believed the Finn would prove to be an easy mark, but after wrestling two hours and a half Stecher quit."

A little over a year ago Olin tackled Aberg, the champion Greco Roman wrestler. After wrestling two hours and a half the referee called it a draw. In 1912 Olin finished second in the Olympic wrestling contests at Stockholm. Olin is five feet eleven and tips the beam around 205 pounds when in tip-top condition.

Ganzel to Manage Kansas City.
John Ganzel, widely known as a baseball manager, will manage the Kansas City team in the American association next season. Ganzel was idle last year, but in 1915 he managed the Brooklyn team in the Federal league. His home is in Rochester, N. Y., where he managed a team in the International league for many seasons.

Rush to Coach Princeton.
John Harlan (Speedy) Rush has been reappointed head-coach of Princeton football for the coming year. The announcement was generally expected, despite the fact that the season had a rather disastrous ending last fall. There was very little criticism directed against Rush.

How to Do Things

To shrink yarn wrap it in white cloth and lay it in a steamer over boiling water for an hour. When dry it may be used without fear of shrinking.
To remove automobile grease or any dark, heavy grease from washable goods apply a small piece of butter and rub it in well, then wash with soap and rinse.

If the hands are covered well with soap and it is allowed to dry before polishing the stove the polish will not adhere to the hands and will wash off without any trouble.

Some folks really clutter up their rooms with furniture. That may be a wasteful thing to do. Just enough for use—no more—is the best rule. Then keep what you have in good condition. When darning run the thread around the hole first, drawing up the edges until they lie flat on the darning. The hole will be much smaller, and the darning can be done more satisfactorily.

The difference between a stylish, good looking suit and a shabby one is largely a matter of pressing. Keep the creases and wrinkles ironed out and the seams flat and people may think you have a new suit.

To do away with the smell of fresh paint put a pail of water into which an onion has been cut up in the newly painted room overnight. If windows and doors are closed the odor will be absorbed by morning.

NEW YEAR'S ARRIVAL

Just at the turn of midnight
When the children are fast asleep,
The tired Old Year slips out by himself,
Glad of a chance to be laid on the shelf.
And the New Year takes a peep
At the old year's doings and says: "Well, well, well!"

FORMER GRAYLING
MAN DEAD

Some of the State newspapers of last week contained an announcement of the death of Theodore Perry Manwaring, which occurred Wednesday morning, Dec. 27, at the home of his son-in-law, Eugene Kennedy, at Dayton, Ohio.

Mr. Manwaring had been an invalid for some time and went there from his home in Ann Arbor, Mich., about five years ago to live with his daughter, Mrs. Kennedy, thinking this climate would improve his health. Before retiring from active life he was a prominent fruit grower in Ann Arbor.

He leaves his wife, Mary F. Manwaring, who lived at the Kennedy home with her husband; one son, Dr. W. M. Manwaring, professor of pathology at Leland Stanford university, and two daughters, Mrs. C. F. Morris, wife of State Senator Morris, of Havre Montana, and Mrs. Eugene Kennedy, of Dayton.

The remains were shipped to the former home in Ann Arbor for burial. Mr. Manwaring was at one time a resident of Grayling and will be remembered by our old residents. He and his family settled here in 1882 and resided here 35 years.

Frederic News.
Beautiful weather for first of year. You bet the Avalanche ads gets results.

A sleigh party went to John Malco's Saturday night. After games, music and lunch all returned home saying it was a good place to go and will go again where they are always welcome. J. Smith is changing ends with the logs every day which makes considerable employment for men here.

Yes it makes it fine for the public; the American house is open night and day.

Wilbur, Cochran's house buried to the ground last Sunday. Nothing but one trunk which contained some deeds and other papers and \$30.00 were saved. It is a severe loss, nothing left but the clothes on their back. Can't we do something for Wilbur?

Mrs. Terhune's daughter, who has been very sick, is improving.

L. A. Gardner made a business trip to Saginaw last week.

School started again Tuesday morning. Everyone with a smile. Miss Cornish was the only teacher absent. C. S. Barber, wife and family, and Grandma Barber ate supper New Year's night at John Malco's. A beautiful night and fine sleigh ride.

Two of Grayling's basketball teams came up last week and played two of our teams. Grayling won both games 23 to 27 and 27 to 31. They were close games and very interesting. Come again and bring the girls.

Do not forget the High school basketball game scheduled for next Friday night, Jan. 5. Grayling vs. Frederic.

Mrs. H. L. Abrahams and son Morey are in Detroit to consult a dental specialist for the latter. Here's hoping Morey may return with better health in the future.

Supt. and Mrs. Wood spent a day or two at Bay City during the holidays. Did you notice that new gas lamp at the meat market? Makes things look fine.

Coy News.
Mr. Fenner of Onaway is holding meetings at the Maple Grove school house.

Miss Lucile Knight and Helen Richardson returned to their schools Monday.

Mr. Burnham of Fairview spent Sunday and New Year's at the farm home of E. B. Hollowell.

Miss Ida Fontant of Bay City is spending a few days with Miss Dora Nolan.

Dr. Carnalia was called Monday for Mrs. John Pearsall, who is very ill. Alvin Scott and wife entertained his parents, and brother, Bert and family, New Year's.

Miss Mary Olson, of Edwardsport a few days among old acquaintances last week.

Mrs. Sidney Hodges arrived Saturday to make an extended visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Royce.

Geo. Tappen is buzzing wood for Jos. Nichols.

Miss Nancy McGillis spent Sunday with Marguerite Scott.

Howard Nolan and John McGillis left Thursday for Detroit.

A large crowd attended the dance Wednesday night at the Maple Grove school house. A good time was reported by all.

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy Most Effective.

"I have taken a great many bottles of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and every time it has cured me. I have found it most effective for a hacking cough and for colds. After taking it a cough always disappears," writes J. R. Moore, Lost Valley, Ga. Obtainable everywhere.

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next week for an-

nouncement of our

January Sale.

EMIL KRAUS

Grayling's Leading Dry Goods
and Clothing StoreDESCRIPTION OF
MOOSE OUTING

(Note—It has just been called to our attention an article published in the St. Charles Union in reference to the visit of the degree team of the Loyal Order of Moose from that city October 30, at Grayling. We re-publish it here in full.)

The degree team of the Loyal Order of Moose of St. Charles, also a score of members accepted an invitation to Grayling to put on the degree work for that city. It seemed that both sides were trying to out-do each other in their respectful ways, Grayling in its great way of entertaining and St. Charles in its good degree work.

The special car arrived in Grayling about 12:30 p. m. After dinner about eight autos came to the club rooms to show the boys the wonderful sights of the city and country adjoining.

First we were taken to Camp Ferris which will be one of the finest parks in the United States when it is finished. Camp Ferris is bordered on the north and east by one of the most beautiful lakes in Michigan, it is about one mile wide and four miles long. On the other side is solid forest, very pretty for this time of year. Also though grounds join the Government game preserve, a great movement is being taken for preserving game that is fast losing ground.

They have elk, deer, coon and other animals fenced in with ten foot wire. Altho the soldiers are about all gone from the camp the scenery still remains.

After our view of the camp we were taken to the new school and shown through the entire building. Altho it is nice it doesn't beat St. Charles school in appearance, but for the large gymnasium in the basement. We were then taken to the queerest lake of all, no one has ever found bottom to this lake, altho it is not a large one.

We passed the AuSable fish hatchery on our way to see one of the great DuPont powder mills.

Last of all we were shown the Hanson flooring mills after which we retired to the club to prepare for the parade.

The parade was made with the Grayling band in the lead, with fire works, while our band came last.

After putting thru over sixty candidates, a fine banquet was served. At 1:30 a. m. we boarded our special car and started homeward with the hope that in the near future we may again enjoy Grayling's hospitality.

One Who Was There.

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THE QUARTERBREED

A Tale of Adventures on
An Indian Reservation

By
Robert Ames Bennet

ON HIS way to take the agency at Lakotah Indian reservation following the murder of Agent Nogen, Capt. Floyd Hardy, U. S. A., rescues a quarterbreed girl and two men from attacking Indians. They are Jacques Dupont, post-trader, his daughter Marie, and Reginald Vandervyn, agency clerk and nephew of Senator Clemmer. Hardy learns Vandervyn had been promised the agency by his politician uncle, discovers the Indians are disaffected because they have been cheated in a tribal mine which Dupont and Vandervyn are illegally working, is puzzled when his friendly speech to tribesmen, interpreted by Vandervyn's halfbreed tool, angers the Indians, and he determines to find out what's wrong all around and right in. He proposes marriage to Marie, whom Vandervyn also is courting, and is held off, but nursed tenderly by her when shot and wounded from an ambush. Lost in the mountains after a second ambush attempt on his life, Hardy wanders into the Indian camp, learns they have misunderstood his motives through misinterpretation, makes friends with them and accuses Dupont and Vandervyn of rascality to their faces. Out of this situation springs a much more serious dilemma for the army officer, attacking both his affections and his honor—as you will see in this installment.

CHAPTER XII—Continued.

"You add to my regret. Yet, as acting agent, it is my duty to censure your father and Mr. Vandervyn for deceiving me. Had they told me about Nogen's malfeasance—his blocking of the new treaty and compelling the Indians to work the mine without pay—"

"He did that?" Marie questioned her father.

"Well, me and Mr. Van done all we could to get him to pay 'em," mumbled Dupont.

"Of course! But he—I did not think him so mean!" The girl's eyes blazed and her nostrils dilated. "So that was why he was shot? I don't blame the man who did it—I could have done it myself! The thief!—Reggie, if only you had let the killer escape!"

"Couldn't," tersely replied Vandervyn. "He was blood-mad—would have got Charlie and me, too, if we hadn't got him."

"That was self-defense," said Hardy. "It has been greed and dishonesty, though, that have prompted you to counsel from me the facts that led up to the killing. Aside from the danger to me, you have permitted the tribe to be deceived by the promises of the mine."

"Steal our own ore?" bellowed Dupont. "You're plumb locoed!"

"Not so loud, if you please," quietly replied Hardy. "The ore is not yours."

"That's all you know about it!" blustered the trader. "Ain't I one of the discoverers and locators of the lode?"

"The lode is not subject to location. It is on Indian land."

"What if it is? Ain't I a member of the tribe?"

"The tribal land has not yet been allotted, in severalty. Every square foot of ground on the reservation belongs to the tribe as a whole. No one member can hold individual title to any of it."

"Well, what of it?" demanded Dupont, far from silenced. "If the tribe wants to work the mine, and they want me and Mr. Van to manage it for them and buy the ore, what in hell have you got to say about it?"

"Nothing at present," answered Hardy. "If the tribe consents, I shall make no objection. You will be able to cheat them of only a few thousand dollars before the new treaty is consummated and all this mineral land opened to location and entry under the mining laws."

The veins on Vandervyn's crimsoned forehead were swollen and pulsating with his furious anger. He spoke in a high, dry tone: "So you are going to pull wires to get our mine taken away from us?"

"I shall see that justice is done toward the tribe," said Hardy, and he fixed the younger man with a glance that compelled him to blink and look aside.

But now Marie's swift-mounting scorn and anger burst out in a storm of passion:

"You hypocrite! You self-righteous martinet! You would reprimand my father and Mr. Van, would you? And each a thousand times better than you! Who has made all the trouble



"The Whole Tribe Matters You—and I'm One of the Tribe."

how since you came? The whole tribe matters you—and I'm one of the tribe! You straight-laced prig! You say you and Reggie are dishonest, when all they wish to do is to give the tribe good work and good pay. But you—"

Hardy winced under the scornful onslaught, yet did not yield a hair. "I am doing my duty, Miss Dupont. I am going to do it. I have no intention of rubbing anyone of what is

the mine when the reservation is thrown open to the public, and the mine may slip in ahead of us," said Hardy.

"I am not a hypocrite," said Hardy.

CHAPTER XIII.

Another Card or Two.

A few minutes later Hardy came out of the cabin. Though grave, he was cool and alert. He at once walked up to Dupont, who sat puffing at his pipe on the top of the mine-dump.

"Redbear seems to be quiet," he said. "Where is your daughter?"

Dupont pointed vaguely down the mountain-side. "She went off with Mr. Van, to try to smooth down his fur. You riled him considerable, Cap."

"I regret that it was necessary to reprimand you."

"All right, Cap. I don't bear no grudge. Maybe now you'd like to take a look at the mine."

"Yes," crisply agreed Hardy.

Dupont rose and led him into the mouth of the tunnel. There he unlocked a heavy tool chest and took out two candles. These were needed, for though the tunnel ran into the mountain-side less than three hundred feet, its twisting course along the ore vein soon shut out the daylight.

Dupont noticed his companion's dubious look at the soft ore-body that formed the roof and one wall of the tunnel.

"Walk quiet, and don't talk loud," he said. "We ain't done no timbering yet. Drove in this drift to the foot of the shaft fast as we could get the lazy cusses to work, so we could figure what we had to count on."

Hardy made no reply until they came to the end of the tunnel and stepped out into the dim daylight of the shaft bottom. He looked up the big, square, timbered well, and remarked: "You sank this first, then drove in to meet it."

"Yep. Wanted to make sure the vein didn't pinch out nowhere. Nogen and Mr. Van both figured we got three hundred thousand dollars of ore as good as blocked out."

"Ah," said Hardy, and he signed to Dupont to lead the way back.

They had gone twenty-five or thirty paces when a little slither of ore fell on the floor of the tunnel in front of Dupont. Instantly he sprang forward, with a whispered cry: "Jump—quick!"

Hardy leaped after him, barely in time to clear the ton or more of ore that dropped from the roof in a mass. Without stopping to look behind them, the two men hastened stealthily down the slight slope of the tunnel, their candles upraised and eyes fixed on the soft, raw ore-body above them. At any moment the entire roof might cave in and bury them. The shock of the first fall loosened small quantities of ore all along the passage. Fragments dribbled down behind and in front of the fugitives and even on their heads.

Tense-stricken, they broke into a run. It was none too soon. As they dashed around the turn that brought them to the outlet, the entire roof behind them came thudding down.

Safe outside, Dupont shook the fragments from his hat and clothes, and pulled out his bandanna to wipe off the sweat that was gathering in beads on his forehead.

"Ugh!" he grunted. "Don't never see me in there ag'in till it's timbered."

"Rather close call," remarked Hardy.

"You're a cool one," muttered the trader, and he scowled. "Nom d'un chien! Just my luck! If I hadn't sung out, you'd 'a' got smashed under that first drop."

"I shall not forget it, Dupont."

"Me, neither. 'Stead of being ag'in you, here you are ready as ever to clear us out—and I done it!"

"You do not regret saving my life," asserted Hardy.

"Well, maybe, not. Just the same, it's mighty hard luck on us. Here we went and blocked out all that there ore—three hundred thousand dollars as good as in our pockets—not to speak of all that's down under and 'tother side the shaft. For all we know, it's clean through the mountain

side to China."

"That does not alter the situation," said Hardy.

"Mebbe it do, and then ag'in—" Dupont began to scratch his head. "Yes, melibe it don't, and then, ag'in, melibe it does. Just you take a look at it this way, Cap. Suppose that new treaty goes through, the tribe don't get nothing out of this mine, and we don't neither. 'Tis some lucky bum beats us to it, and the government buys it's him. Is that fair and square?"

"You have acted outside the law," said Hardy. "You must take your chances with other locators."

"How about the tribe?" queried Dupont. "Don't you care nothing about their interests? Just supposing you, me and Mr. Van took hold of this here mine for the tribe and split even with them on the proceeds. I call

that a square deal to them and us, too—and I know Marie would think the same. She likes you, Cap. Just show her you want to do what's best for all concerned, and I'm dead sure she—"

"Stop!" commanded Hardy. "Leave your daughter out of this."

"You've got to tell me how I'm going to do it," replied Dupont in an injured tone. "If I don't get my share in the mine, Mr. Van can't afford to take her; and you won't have no show. But you got in right with Marie, and she'd work her hands to the bone for you. She ain't no common breed girl, neither. You know that. She'd be a real lady, if she had money—only you ain't going to give her no chance."

"She knows that I wish to marry her," said Hardy.

"Think she believes that when you're going to rob me and her of a fortune?"

Hardy looked directly at the tempter, his eyes clear and resolute, though his face was white and drawn. "It is of no use, Dupont. I shall do what I consider my duty."

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"I must beg to differ with you," said Hardy. "But I cannot expect you to understand my position."

Dupont drew out his pipe and returned to his seat on the mine-dump, to brood on his wrongs in morose silence. Hardy thoughtfully walked back to the cabin, drew out a writing pad from one of his saddlebags, and began to draft a semi-official letter to the most influential of his few acquaintances in Washington.

He soon became so intent that he did not notice the half-dozen figures in dark blue uniform that came swinging down the precipitous mountain-side above the terrace. When at last he finished the letter and looked up, he saw all the members of the police escort drawn up in line before him, their swarthy faces alight with respectful friendliness. Their sergeant uttered a guttural word of salutation, and began making signs.

Hardy smiled, shook his head, and looked around for an interpreter. Dupont still sat sulking on the mine dump, but Marie and Vandervyn were coming back up the mountain-side. They appeared only a few yards away, as Hardy glanced about. His lips drew tense when he perceived the girl's happy blushes and the look with which Vandervyn was regarding her half-averted face.

At sight of Hardy she straightened with proud disdain and would have immediately gone around into the cabin had he not spoken.

"Pardon me, Miss Dupont. These men wish to report to me. May I ask you to interpret for them?"

The girl turned coldly to the sergeant, who at once poured out an impassioned declamation, emphasized with swift-formed signs. He was still talking, when Dupont suddenly stumbled over from the mine-dump. His disconcerted face darkened still more when he came within hearing of the speakers.

At last the sergeant finished his impromptu oration. Without looking at Hardy, Marie gave the substance of the speech with contemptuous curtneess:

"He says they think you were very brave to follow the shooter into the broken mountain. They are very sorry that they could not again find the trail of the bad Indian after he got on the bare rocks from which he must have shot Charlie."

"Tell them that is all right. The fellow thought I was the enemy of his tribe. He will soon learn better. Neither he nor any other will again attack me."

"Yes, you have talked Thunderbolt into believing you—the tribe's dearest friend," ironically replied Marie.

"These silly fellows trailed you to the chief's camp, and have swallowed whole the account of the wonderful good things you are going to do for the tribe. All this gush and fuss was over that and your big heart."

Regardless of the mockery in the girl's eyes, Hardy turned to smile and nod at the policemen in acknowledgment of their kindly feeling.

Dupont muttered a curse, and vented an ill-humored remark loud enough to reach Hardy's ears: "The whole bunch'd sing a different tune if I told them how he turned down the chance to give the tribe half what's in our mine."

"Chuck it, Jake!" interposed Vandervyn, with a good-humored smile that surprised Hardy no less than the trader. "It's up to us to take our medicine. We know it will not be to the best interests of the tribe. The responsibility, however, is his."

"You ain't going to throw down, are you?" exclaimed Dupont.

"What else can we do?" mildly asked Vandervyn. "The game is up."

"What if the government don't make it so rash, but has the entry-men draw lots?" objected Dupont. "I been fool enough to show Cap through the diggings and tell him what we

got blocked out. If he ain't square enough to keep his head shut, we won't stand no chance at all of buying out the entryman what draws first choice in the lottery."

"You see, captain," said Vandervyn. "As we discovered and developed the lode, do you not think the honorable thing would be to make no mention of the mine in your report?"

"The tribe should receive a large payment for their mineral lands," replied Hardy.

"Quite true," agreed Vandervyn, his voice ringing clear and strong with sincerity. "There was talk of paying them fifteen millions. I think it should be fifteen or twenty. We have found indications of other lodes. I am sure you will see that it would be perfectly honorable to report that fact, but leave out all mention of our mine. That would protect us, and do no harm to the tribe. If you see it that way, I will pull all the wires I can to convince the government that this part of the reservation is rich in minerals. My uncle is chairman of the treaty commission. If his report favors a payment of fifteen or twenty millions to the tribe, congress will appropriate that amount."

"If there are indications of other lodes as rich as this one, fifteen millions is none too large a price," said Hardy. "You agree to help obtain fair compensation to the tribe?"

"Provided you do the fair and honorable thing by us," replied Vandervyn.

Hardy considered, and nodded. "Very well. As between you and the other entrymen, it seems to me right to withhold your secret. You found and developed this mine, and it is not the fault of yourself and Dupont that Nogen had the work done at the expense of the tribe."

"Here and Mr. Van will pay them for all the work," proudly stated Marie.

Dupont gaped in blank amazement at this unwelcome prediction. Not so Vandervyn.

"Of course we shall pay them, captain," he confirmed. "I intend to list the claimants—and the amount due them at the council tomorrow. Neither Jake nor I can afford to settle with them out of hand. But Jake will allow them part payment in trade goods, and we shall make other payments as fast as we get returns from our next ore shipments."

"Very good," agreed Hardy. "You are to understand, however, that the tribe must voluntarily bring the ore to the reservation boundary and there sell it to you. Have you considered the risk of the public surmising the existence of the mine from the ore shipments?"

"No chance of that," explained Dupont. "Nogen let it out that he got the ore from a prospect in the mountains clean back across the other boundary of the reservation, and he showed around a smelter report of a shipment of ore that we'd doctored with barren rock so's it just paid out expenses."

Hardy did not smile. He returned gravely to Marie. "In view of the general agreement, Miss Dupont, may I hope that you—"

"You may not, Captain Hardy," she ungraciously interrupted. "You insulted my father. He and I shall at once leave for home."

Dupont looked to Vandervyn, and received a sign to acquiesce.

"Don't want to leave you in the lurch, Cap," he said, "but if Marie's set on going, guess I'll have to."

"Tell four of the police they are detailed to escort yourself and Miss Dupont back to the agency," ordered Hardy. He raised his hat to Marie. "Permit me to wish you a pleasant journey."

The girl turned away without replying. Hardy stood for a moment cool and still under Vandervyn's exultant smile; then faced about and sturdily walked off along the mountain terrace.

He did not return to the cabin until the greater number of the saddle and pack ponies had been brought up from the valley and the returning party had mounted and ridden away on the back trail. Vandervyn started off with them, and Hardy's keen, hazel eyes dimmed as, leaning against a gnarled pine on the slope above, he watched the lovers ride away, side by side.

Angered at himself for his momentary weakness, he sprang down the ledges to the terrace, and hastened back to talk with Redbear. He was met at the cabin door by Olina, who placed a finger on her lips and whispered that her brother had at last fallen asleep.

Hardy withdrew to the shady side of the cabin, where he sat down on his saddle and began drafting a list of instructions for the tribal delegates to Washington. He was still writing them when, shortly before midnight, Vandervyn came jogging back to the mine. He had had a delightful ride with Marie, and he complacently intimated the fact to Hardy.

In the midst of this subtle tormenting of his rival, Olina came out to serve the supper that she had cooked in the cabin. Vandervyn abruptly changed the subject, and began to talk about the council next day. Hardy gave no sign that he observed this sudden break or the furtive, adoring glances that the girl bestowed on Vandervyn as she glided softly to and fro.

The night came on, clear and still. As they puffed at their after-supper pipes, Vandervyn suggested that, out of consideration for the young woman, they roll up in their blankets outside the cabin. To this Hardy made no objection. They picked out a soft spot matted with fallen pine needles, under

a low-growing tree, and soon both were seemingly fast asleep.

After several minutes Vandervyn spoke to his companion in a low tone. Hardy did not answer. Vandervyn drew out his pipe and struck a match. He held the flame above Hardy's face. The eyes were closed, and the severe, half-melancholy expression of the harsh features was relaxed as if in heavy slumber.

Vandervyn extinguished the match, and slipped out of his blankets. Noiselessly he crept down to the cabin and around to the door. It was barred on the inside. He tapped on it.

There was a sliding sound within the cabin, and the heavy door began to swing inward. Vandervyn put his foot on the threshold to enter. At the same moment a snowy hand gripped his shoulder and jerked him away. He cursed, and clapped his hand to his holster as he whirled about. It was empty. He bent forward to spring at the dark form in the half-open doorway.

"Stand back!" came the stern command. "I have your revolver. Olina, close the door."

The door swung shut. In the tense silence the rattle of the bar as it shot back into its socket was distinct. Vandervyn's teeth ground together.

"You—straight-laced prig!" he choked out. "Get away from here! I'm going in."

"Suppose I do not choose to give it?" "Then I will protect her by ordering you to leave the reservation as fast as you can travel."

"I see," taunted Vandervyn. "You want to get rid of me, so you can have

and paid to write some letters. The captain handed them to him, and started up the mountainside above the tunnel mouth. A steep path led up to the top of the spur ridge from which the shaft had been sunk from the apex of the outcrop of the vein.

As soon as he had gone beyond earshot, Vandervyn rose to stretch himself and call softly through the nearest loophole. He then seated himself on his saddle and began to write. A listener would have had need to be near at hand to have heard the low murmur of Redbear's and Olina's voices—through—the loophole—above Vandervyn's head.

When Hardy returned from his examination of the upper works of the mine, Vandervyn sealed in his presence the two letters that he had written. They appeared decidedly thin, in view of the time that Vandervyn had spent in his writing and the number of sheets of paper gone from the pad. But Hardy did not observe this. His attention had been diverted by a large party of Indians that had appeared on the velvety green meadows of the valley bottom.

The tribal council had begun to assemble. This time the chiefs and headmen did not come alone. From far camps as well as near, the men of the tribe were bringing their families to see the Longknife chief whom they had first hated but now believed to be their friend and father. By noon their numbers had grown from scores to hundreds.

Shortly after the midday meal one of the Indian policemen brought word up to the cabin that the head chief had arrived—and the council was ready to talk with the agent. Hardy at once gave command to mount. As soon as Hardy and Vandervyn started to ride down the slope, Olina slipped out, and held her brother's pony for him. She soon mounted her own, and rode after him.

At the foot of the slope the riders came out through a grove of young, quaking aspens into sudden view of the picturesque and imposing tribal council. Fully half the tribe had gathered together for the occasion. All up and down the valley the meadows were dotted with their ponies. The Indians were assembled in a dense crowd—the men in a deep band around the chiefs, the women and children outside.

Do you believe that Vandervyn can persuade Olina to do so or scare her into misinterpreting Captain Hardy's statements to the tribesmen? Will Hardy catch Vandervyn at his dirty work this time and punish him for it?

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

VICTORY FOR FUTURIST ART

Painter Found Himself Famous at Moment When He Feared That All Was Lost.

Rathsbane Hummock struggled wearily up the nineteen flights of stairs to his draughty garret studio. No food had passed his lips that day except twenty hard-boiled eggs and six cans of spoiled sardines originally packed in lard.

"I was a brute to marry Emmaline before I was able to provide for her," he thought bitterly. "No man ought to marry on less than an assured income of four dollars and fifty a week. I wonder if the expressman has come to take 'Skeechaw Bridge in a Drizzle' to the Futurist exhibition. If that, my masterpiece, fails to win a prize, I fear we all must starve or eat sauerkraut all winter."

The first thing that met his eye—he had but one left—when he entered the studio was "Skeechaw Bridge in a Drizzle."

"The expressman came and took away the picture," his wife told him with a giggle. "I hope I gave him the right one—the little square canvas one—the little square canvas in the corner? These futurist things all look so alike."

Hummock buried his scarred features in his unwashed hands.

"You gave them that old flawed canvas I gave the baby to daub on," he moaned. "We are ruined! Ruined!" But at that moment a messenger boy arrived with a telegram from the judges. It read:

"First prize of 25 cents for your canvas without title. We have taken the liberty of naming it 'Opening Oysters in the Gloaming,' as that was so obviously your subject."

Hummock rushed out with a glad yell to buy a lemon.—Detroit Free Press.

Movement of Population.

Emigration from the eastern states to the middle West began in a small way soon after the close of the Revolutionary war, but was not large till after the admission of Ohio as a state in 1803. In 1800 the government adopted the system of selling public land in Ohio on credit and thus started a current of emigration to Ohio, which soon made it a state and overflowed into Indiana. Old letters written from towns in Massachusetts, New York and Pennsylvania describe the roads leading west as thronged with large covered wagons filled with people and household goods, moving to "the Ohio." An Englishman who came West in 1810 wrote: "In passing through the upper parts of Virginia I observed a great number of farms that had been abandoned, on many of which good houses had been erected, and fine apple and peach orchards had been planted. On inquiring the reason, I was always informed that the owners had gone to the western country. From the New England states the emigrations are still more numerous. They mostly cross the Hudson river between Albany and Newburg, and meet pass through Cayuga on their way to Pittsburgh. I was informed by an inhabitant of Cayuga in April, 1810, that more than 15,000 wagons had passed over the bridge at that place within the last 18 months, containing emigrants to the western country."

CHAPTER XIV.

In the morning Olina did not show herself outside the cabin, though Hardy called a kindly good morning to her. Her brother, with one arm carefully bandaged and in a sling, brought out the breakfast that she cooked. He looked so weak and unsteady that Hardy at once assented when he begged that he be wished to go back to bed and rest until the council.

"You must have your wits about you this time," added Hardy. "Whatever the cause of the misunderstanding at the first council, it must not recur. You are too careless in your interpretations. Inform your sister that she is to be present. I shall require her to check you."

"Would you make a girl as shy as she is stand up in a tribal council and interpret?" remonstrated Vandervyn, as Redbear slunk around the end of the cabin.

"The presence of her grandfather will give her courage," replied Hardy. "It is necessary that she should be present. I do not trust either the ability or the honesty of her brother."

Vandervyn shrugged, and said no more. Half an hour or so later he asked permission to use Hardy's pen

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GRAYLING, THURSDAY, JAN. 4

BANQUET RETIRING COUNTY OFFICIALS

Supervisors and County Officials Entertain at Shoppensagon's Inn.

In honor of the two retiring county officers, Judge Patterson and Clerk John J. Niederer, the members of the County Board of Supervisors, who are in session here this week, and the remaining county officials, Register A. B. Felling, Treasurer E. S. Houghton and Court Commissioner O. Palmer, gave a dinner party at Shoppensagon's Inn last evening.

The number of years of association of Judge Patterson and Mr. Niederer with the two bodies here mentioned, has made the ties of friendship very strong and lasting. This event seemed to be in the nature of a farewell party and there considerable sentiment of regret was expressed at the time because of the retiring of these two officers.

Mr. Niederer has worked in harmony with many boards of supervisors and knows every district in the county like an open book, and likewise he knows most all the people too. We believe that it is generally conceded that he is the best and most efficient clerk this county has ever had, and more than that he is recognized out-

side of Crawford county as being about the best county clerk in the state. He will be succeeded by Frank Sales, who was elected last November.

Mr. Patterson is a man of kindly spirit and of courageous bearing and one in whom the people generally have explicit confidence. He will be missed in Grayling and we trust that when he gets back to his comfortable farm home in Frederic that he won't forget his friends from other parts of the country. He will be succeeded by Oscar Palmer, also elected last fall.

During the social feature of the evening Melvin A. Bates acted as toastmaster and several pleasing and witty speeches were made.

Dr. Palmer, on behalf of the county officers, presented Mr. Niederer with a Masonic watch chain; and Glen Smith presented Mr. Patterson with a gold mounted pipe, that he might continue to smoke the pipe of friendship.

For the Supervisors, Mr. Bates presented Mr. Niederer with a gold watch chain, and Mr. Patterson with a gold pocket knife. These were to be reminders to the recipients of the high esteem in which they are held by those who know them best.

Mr. Patterson and Mr. Niederer both were unexpectedly surprised but accepted the remembrances with modesty and with the deepest sense of gratitude, each responding with brief words of appreciation. The event will long be remembered by those present, but more especially by the two honored guests of the evening.

Notice.

The tax roll for the year 1916 is on hand. I will be at my home every Friday up to Jan. 10 to receive taxes.

Hans Christensen, Treas.

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LOCKED DOORS BAR COWBOY GOVERNOR

Campbell Claim to Arizona Chair Backed by Mob.

PHOENIX, ARIZ.—Forcing his way through cheering thousands, surrounded by armed guards, Tom Campbell, Arizona's new cowboy governor, entered the capitol grounds shortly before 11 o'clock New Year's morning.

The capitol was locked. Campbell demanded admission. A caretaker opened the portal a few inches, and Campbell, his attorneys and a few newspaper men entered.

After completing an inaugural speech in which he declared that the ballot box must not become a juggler's hat he demanded admission to the executive chambers, which were guarded by deputy sheriffs. The officers refused to open the door on the ground that it was a legal holiday.

Governor Hunt returned to the office following the holiday, but the mob spirit had been allayed by Campbell who urged that the controversy be left in the hands of the authorities.

FORTY PASSENGERS PERILED

Chicago—Bridge Raises With Car of 40 Persons on It.

CHICAGO, ILL.—A street car, passing over the Halsted street bridge, filled with forty women and children, on their way to a New Year's day party, narrowly missed being catapulted into the river when the bridge raised. One man was cut about the head by broken glass and many others were shaken up.

The wrecking crew worked three hours before the car was righted and before repairs.

DRY ISSUE IN CALIFORNIA

Liquor Foes to Seek Creation of Commission to Curb Evil.

SACRAMENTO, CAL.—Battle between the wet and dry interests of the state is likely to be the main event at the 1917 California legislature, just opened.

It has become known here that the prohibitionists and partial prohibitionists will endeavor to bring about the creation of an effective commission for the curbing of so-called liquor evils. In this commission would be vested the decisive right to revoke licenses.

NAMES ENVOY TO VENIZELLOS

Britain Recognizes Greek Leader as De Facto Government at Saloniki.

LONDON, ENG.—It is officially announced that Earl Granville, counselor of the British embassy in Paris, has been appointed representative of the British government to the provisional government of Ellphtheros Venizelos at Saloniki, with the title of diplomatic agent.

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Notice.

STATE OF MICHIGAN.

In the Circuit Court for the County of Crawford, In Chancery.

Myrtle Strandberg, plaintiff.

Edwin Strandberg, defendant.

In this cause, it appearing by affidavits that the defendant, Edwin Strandberg, is a resident of this state, and that a summons to appear and answer has been duly issued in this cause, but could not be served upon the said Edwin Strandberg by reason of his discontinued absence from this state.

On motion of Glen Smith, attorney for the said plaintiff, it is ordered that the appearance of the said defendant, Edwin Strandberg, be entered in this cause within three months from the date of this order; and that in case of default of the said defendant, judgment shall be rendered against him according to the bill of complaint to be filed and a copy thereof served on the attorney for the plaintiff within fifteen days after service on him or his attorney of a copy of the said bill, and in default of the said bill being taken and confessed by the said defendant, Edwin Strandberg.

And it is further ordered, that the said plaintiff cause this order to be published in the Crawford Avalanche, a newspaper printed, published and circulated in said county, and that such publication be continued therein once in each week for six weeks in succession, or that the said plaintiff cause a copy of this order to be personally served on the said defendant, Edwin Strandberg, at least twenty days before the time above prescribed for his appearance.

Dated December 14th, 1916.

NELSON SHARP, Circuit Judge.

Examined, countersigned and entered by me: JOHN J. NIDDERER, Clerk.

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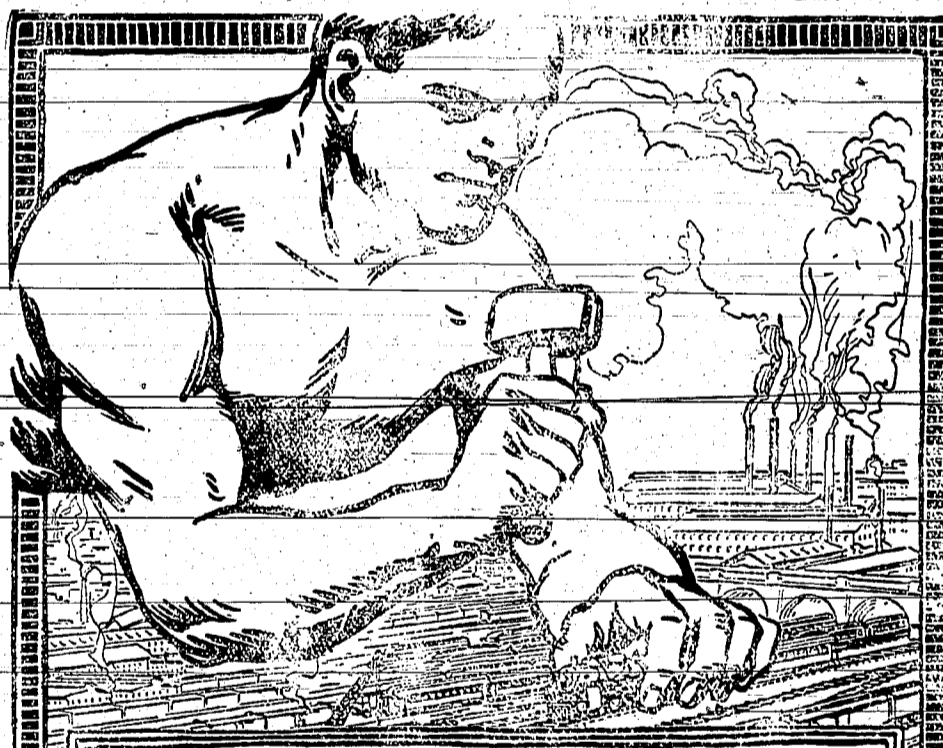
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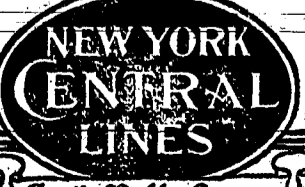
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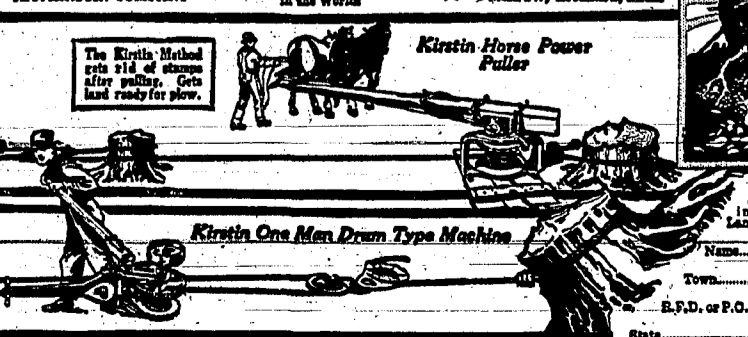


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Mr. and Mrs. A. J. McInnis spent
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Holger Hanson of the Bank spent
New Year's with friends in Bay City.
Miss Hetty Balhoff of Bay City, has
been spending the holidays here with
her parents.

Master Carl Hanson spent last week
visiting relatives and friends in Jo-
hannesburg.

Miss Eva Ryan of Saginaw was a
guest of her sister, Mrs. A. J. Joseph
over New Year's.

Miss Margrethe Bauman returned
yesterday from a few days spent the
guest of friends in Flint.

Misses Arvilla Tetu and Lucile Mc-
Phee are spending the week with
friends at West Branch.

Miss Margaret Joseph and Louie
Joseph returned to their school duties
at Milwaukee last Monday.

The Hospital Aid society will meet
next Thursday afternoon, January 11,
at the home of Mrs. Charles L. Trom-
ble.

Dr. and Mrs. C. A. Canfield have
been enjoying a few days' visit from
the latter's sister, Miss Flossa Miller
of Detroit.

Mr. and Mrs. M. Brenner and family
are spending the week in Detroit.
Henry Joseph is acting night watch
during Mr. Brenner's absence.

Miss Bernadette Cassidy entertained
Miss Marguerite Johnson of Rose
City a number of days of last week.
Miss Johnson is a teacher in the Kin-
dergarten in the schools at Rose City.

The regular annual meeting and
election of officers of the Grayling
Board of Trade will be held at Soren-
son's furniture store, Wednesday
evening, Jan. 17, at 7:00 o'clock sharp.
Members please be present.

Miss Alice Brink of Bay City has
been spending the past week with her
many friends here. Miss Ruth An-
derson, also of Bay City, was a guest
of Miss Alice Brink and Miss Fern
Armstrong over New Year's.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Graham of Flint
arrived last week to visit their parents
and friends. The former returned to
Flint Monday to resume his work at
the Bajok Auto works, but Mrs. Gra-
ham expects to remain for several
weeks more.

Mrs. Lee White and little son of
Royal Oak, and Mrs. Leo White of
Adrian, are visiting their mother, Mrs.
Clara McLeod for a few weeks. The
latter, who had been visiting here re-
turned yesterday from a few days' visit
in Ontario.

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work, must sell out. Good
opportunity for the right
man.

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Phone 713

Byron W. King, Jan. 10.

With this issue the Avalanche is
starting in on its 39th year.

Long life and much happiness to
you, and we'll do our best to keep you
company.

Mrs. H. P. Hanson entertained a
few friends of Johannesburg over
New Year's.

Thomas Cassidy, who had been on
the sick list for the past week, is re-
covering nicely again.

You will be pleased with the new
1917 line of Studebaker cars. A. M.
Lewis, Studebaker Dealer.

The fellow who does it today instead
of tomorrow seldom has to ponder
over the mistakes of yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Sidney Graham of
Detroit, are spending the week among
relatives and friends of Grayling.

Paul Ford visited his wife here over
Christmas. They both returned to
Detroit the latter part of last week.

Hereafter all barber shops will be
closed at 10:00 o'clock on Saturday
nights. Hair cutting will be 35c after
January 15th.

B. E. Klime of Akron, Ohio and Wil-
ford Cohen of Detroit were guests at
the Mrs. A. Kraus home over New
Year's.

The county board of supervisors are
in session at the Court house this
week, for their annual January ses-
sion.

The Grange will hold an oyster din-
ner in the G. A. R. hall, on Saturday,
January 6th. All Grangers are in-
vited to be present.

Taxes are now due and the rolls for
the collection of state and county tax-
es are now at the Bank of Grayling,
ready to receive payments.

The Men's gymnasium classes for
the winter will start next Friday eve-
ning, Jan. 5th at the Danish gymnasi-
um, with L. C. Bundgaard as instruc-
tor.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles L. Tromble
returned the latter part of last week
after spending Christmas visiting their
daughter, Mrs. Guy B. Bradley and
family in Detroit.

L. C. Bundgaard and his bride ar-
rived home Monday, from a short hon-
ey-moon spent in the southern part of
the state. They have the happy con-
gratulations and best wishes of many
friends.

Big January Money-Saving sale, be-
ginning next Saturday. Lasts ten
days. Come in early. Plenty of clerks
to wait on you. See my full-page ad-
vertisement on the last page.

The regular monthly meeting of
the M. E. Ladies' aid will be held at
the home of Mrs. Oscar Hanson, Fri-
day afternoon at 2:30. The officers
for the year will be elected at this
meeting. All members are urged to be
present.

Official returns of the state board of
Canvassers placed the official election
results as follows: The vote on pro-
hibition was, for, 353,378; against, 284,
754; majority for, 68,624; Home Rule,
for, 256,572; against, 378,871; majority
against, 122,299; Hughes carried Mich-
igan by 52,322 over Wilson; Sleeper
defeated Sweet for governor by 99,
284; Congressional-elect Currie defeat-
ed Haller by 8,184.

The next number on the high school
entertainment course will be given by
Dr. Byron W. King, President of the
Pittsburgh School of Oratory, next
Wednesday evening, January 10, in
the school auditorium. Dr. King is a
lecturer and entertainer of national
reputation. Supt. Ellsworth has heard
him on four different occasions, and
will guarantee satisfaction. Admis-
sion 25 cents. Reserved seats, 10c
extra. Seats will be on sale Saturday
morning at the Central drug store.

The reserved seats for Rejuvena-
tion, that will be presented here at the
Temple theatre, Wednesday evening
January 17, by Clara Vaughan Wales
and her company of Lyceum players,
will be on sale soon. The prices will
be 50 and 75 cents. This is a guaran-
teed production and is coming here
under the auspices of the K. of P.
lodge. Watch for the opening of the
reserved seat sale. This is a three act
comedy drama and was written es-
pecially for this company. Be sure
and see it.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. W. A.
McNeal was the scene of a pretty
party New Year eve, when a small
company gathered to watch the old
year out and to welcome 1917, and also
to help celebrate two birthdays. At
eleven o'clock a dainty supper was
served. After the new year had fully
established itself as a matter of cer-
tainty the guests departed for their
respective homes. Those present be-
sides the host and hostess were Mr.
and Mrs. Carl England and Master
Carly Mr. Chrysler, Mrs. Carr and
Miss Nora Nye.

Mr. and Mrs. Rasmus Hanson were
host and hostess at a large dinner
party at Shoppenagons Inn, New
Year day at one o'clock. There were
about sixty present, and an elaborate
four course dinner was nicely served
by a number of young ladies. The
tables for the dinner were beautiful
with large vases of pink, red and
white carnations, which after the din-
ner were distributed to the ladies,
while the gentlemen were given
"smokes." When all were seated at
the tables T. W. Hanson in his pleas-
ant way extended a welcome to all
the guests and wished them a very
Happy New Year. The guests in-
cluded the members of the Hanson
and Michelson families, and the head
employees of the Salling, Hanson
company and their wives. It was a
pleasant affair and was very much en-
joyed by those present.

If the District of Columbia goes dry
won't there be an awful scramble to
get home again!

Misses Clara Nelson and Leora Ellis-
worth returned to the State Normal
college at Ypsilanti Monday.

Miss Anna Boeson returned home
Tuesday from a few days' visit with
Miss Maude Soderquist of Bay City.

Hathaway's glasses will help to
make the new year happy, by remov-
ing the pain and discomfort due to de-
fective eyes.

You can get four standard maga-
zines one year for 25 cents extra by
renewing your subscription to the
Avalanche.

Mrs. H. W. Wolf of Chicago was a
guest of Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Hanson
over Sunday, and while here attended
the masquerade party of the Social
club.

Lieut. Hardin C. Sweeney left here
last Saturday on orders from the War
Department, for Ft. Leavenworth,
Kan., where he was to report about
January 1.

Free—A beautiful 30 inch doll, with
every 10c purchase of candy, from
now to Feb. 1. We give you a guess
at the number of peanuts in the glass
jar in the window. The one guessing
correct or nearest so gets the doll free.
Grayling Coffee & Tea Store.

Mr. and Mrs. Olaf Michelson started
on Tuesday for an extended tour thru
the west. They will visit the largest
cities and places of interest of that
part of the country and are planning,
before their return, to visit the Ha-
waiian islands. They will be accom-
panied a part of the trip by Mr. and
Mrs. Thomas Woodfield of Jackson.

The members of the Social club en-
joyed a masquerade party at the club
rooms Saturday evening. Everyone
entered into the spirit of the affair
and the costumes were unique and
varied, causing much merriment. At
12:00 horns, confetti, and streamers
of colored paper were passed out, and
in an instant the toasting would have
done credit to Coxie's army. It was a
jolly affair and will not soon be for-
gotten by those present.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Palmer received a
big box from Dacox, Florida, last
week, sent by Mrs. F. L. Brainerd,
who will be well remembered here as
Miss Frieda Niles, a graduate of our
high school. The box contained a
sample lot of oranges from their own
orchard grove in that state. The
ones marked "sweet," we seldom, if
ever see in our market, were immense
in size, and color and in real sweet-
ness. The others were wrapped and
marked, as "pine apple," which are
very early; the "Valencia," a long
keeper, "Harris Late," will keep till
spring, the "Len-Gun-Gun," or
"Chinaman," as they call it there, is
green at this time, and will keep to
next fall. It is claimed they will
keep on the trees for two or three
years. A sample of "Limes" which
are perfect for lemonade and of "ba-
nanas" which they call "Nigger chok-
ers" in that state. The Setuma or-
anges and "Tangerines" are just
ready to eat, and the "Kumquats"
ready for preserves. The "Catla
Quavat" used principally for pre-
serves, and good eating after they are
cooked. Their odor as oranges, is
better than their taste. The "ba-
nanas" were large and finer than we
get in our market, and called "Nigger
Chokers" there. They were immense.
The "grape fruit" was about 6 inches
in diameter, and the finest we ever
saw. If Frieda and her husband had
been here with her mother and brother,
the "Palmer house" would have been
filled with Christmas joy.

Mistaking gasoline for kerosene,
Lillian Kanaski, fourteen-year-old girl,
visiting relatives at Ramsey, Gogebie
county, was so badly burned that she
died.

Mrs. Mary Bernia, of Reese, has ob-
tained a part of the \$8,000 estate of
the late Benjamin Zumbach, of Bay
county, for which she sued other heirs.

Detroit's assessed valuation under
the state tax commission's estimate is
about one-third that of the entire state
and amounts to \$1,065,241,280, on a
cash basis.

With a tonnage of 91,883,219 tons of
coastal, the St. Mary's Falls canal
closed the season of 1916 on Dec. 19
with the highest record of tonnage
locked through in its history.

John S. McMillan and Miss Sara
Roberts, both of Monroe, were mar-
ried at St. Mary's rectory by Father
Henry Derynse. Mr. McMillan is pre-
sident of the Chamber of Commerce.

Suit for \$20,000 has been filed by
Serei Chaush against Sheriff Oliver
on charges of false imprisonment.
at Pontiac. Chaush after being held
two weeks turned out the wrong man.

The largest beef animal that has
ever been slaughtered on the Menom-
inee river was killed recently when a
bull weighing 2,800 pounds was con-
signed to beef at a Menominee pack-
ing plant.

Newaygo has repealed the thirty-
year-old war over the location of the
county seat. The village has voted to
issue \$10,000 bonds to improve the lo-
cal courthouse if the county will move
its headquarters.

The supreme court refused the
mandamus asked for by Congressman
Samuel W. Beakes against the state
board of canvassers, compelling a re-
count for him in the Jackson county
returns of the last election.

The first weekly newspaper in Iron
county and one of the few in Claver-
land to have a linotype machine is
The Reporter, owned by Patrick
O'Brien. Twenty-nine years ago Pat
arrived in Iron River to take charge
of the paper.

The Michigan supreme court has af-

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Indian Helms in St. Thomas.
Capt. Theodore de Booy of the American Indian museum, New York, has discovered on the Danish West Indian island of St. Thomas an Indian burial mound and much valuable evidence of aboriginal life. He is still working successfully on this discovery, the first ever made there. He has unearthed a Carib burying ground in which were found pottery and other interesting relics. Capt. de Booy, curator of the museum, returned from Santo Domingo last September with Indian relics that he had discovered in that country. He had an earthenware Indian, 18 inches high, that he believed had been used in religious ceremonies thousands of years ago. That was the principal specimen, but he had also about 2,000 articles which had been exhumed from 23 Indian graves.

Coal in the Arctic.
A very promising source of coal is Bear Island, in the Arctic ocean, a few hundred miles from Spitzbergen, but which has a great advantage of the latter place, also a source of coal, inasmuch as shipments may be made at any time of the year. This is owing to its location on the edge of the Gulf stream drift, but as the current meets a cold one from the polar regions, the island is under a fog almost constantly. The Norwegian government is tending establishing a wireless service and a meteorological station on the island. Its rock shores are inhabited by a great variety of seaweeds.

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New Tailors Sew on Buttons.
Tailors double their thread used to sew on buttons, make a knot hold the knot in their teeth, while they twist the thread; they wax it, and that keeps it twisted. Then they put a pin across the button, and after the buttons are sewed on they remove the pin, and wind the thread around several times, making a kind of stem. This makes it more easy to button the garment. The buttons on children's waists should be sewed on this way, so more than one garment can be buttoned to the same waist. National Magazine.

Handy Artificial Limbs.
The up-to-date artificial hand is quite a miracle of mechanism. In fact, it can do almost anything that an arm of flesh and bone can do. With it a man can carry a stick, an umbrella or hold a book, etc. He can use knife and fork quite as dexterously, write with a legible hand, hold a cricket-bat or a billiard-cue, a hammer or an ax, and pick up a pin!

Prehistoric Germs.
In these days, when disease microbes are so much discussed, it is hard to realize that disease germs have been on this earth for millions of years. The fact of their long existence isn't mere theory, for certain minute forms discovered in limestone formation prove conclusively that bacteria lived and flourished in prehistoric times. These prehistoric bacteria show many of the characteristics common to our twentieth-century germ.

Wood Alcohol.
Pure wood alcohol is the only substance which can be converted commercially into formaldehyde, which is universally used for disinfection against such contagious diseases as smallpox, scarlet fever and tuberculosis. The experts at the Forest Products laboratory have conducted extensive experiments on the production of grain or ethyl alcohol from wood and have been successful in experimental work in raising the yield and lowering the cost of production.

Product of the Bee Utilized.
Of course the great use for honey in old English days was to make mead and metheglin. Piny said mead had all the bad qualities of wine and none of the good ones. Mead was made both in the north and south of Europe, but in the south the grape was more popular, while in the north the product of the bee reigned supreme. Mead was the Saxon drink; but the Normans brought the grape wine from France with them, and it became a potent rival.

Your B-B Gun.
Inexpensive toys are often well made, but never proof against wear and hard usage, and all shooting weapons are subject to the latter. Most frequently the trigger fails to hold the spring plunger when the action is levered and in this case the catch has worn round. Simply unscrew the bolt on which the trigger piece pivots and file the catch sharp on the back, being careful to keep the angle the same. The plunger catch rarely wears down, but when it does get a new gun.

Playing Cards.
It is impossible to make anything like a positive statement about the origin of playing cards. They appeared in Spain about the year 1379, and from Spain and France spread all over the continent; but as to the time or place of their origin we are blissfully ignorant. Many things would seem to indicate the French origin of cards.

It is difficult to resist the romance in the statement that Minibuttin Island was bought from the Indians for \$24 worth of trinkets, and that the city, which now covers and overflows it, spends more than \$200,000,000 a year on upkeep alone. And it is impossible to resist the conviction that contemplation of the trivial transaction by descendants of the Indians who parted with Manhattan Island is not calculated to change their belief that the paleface was out for the long end of the bargain from the first. Christian Science Monitor.

There are many customs which still proclaim the ancient rule and influence of Rome that have persisted through the centuries since the departure of her glory. For instance, there is the old Pyrrhic dance, the robes with bells on sleeves and girdles. The Roumanians still shout in unison to prevent return from hearing the voice of the infant Jupiter; and even their omen proclaim the "glory that was Rome" in their names, for here you may see Caesar and Brutus as yoke fellows, and there Cassius and Augustus.

TO THE Discriminating PUBLIC

STATE BEAN CROP EARNS \$16,500,000

INVESTIGATORS ESTIMATE SALEABLE PRODUCTS AT 2,761,000 BUSHELS.

WHEAT MADE GOOD SHOWING

The Hot and Dry Weather of July Is Due to Small Yield of Early Planted Crops.

DETROIT—Crop conditions in Michigan during November are described as favorable in the summary issued by the United States department of agriculture.

"Wheat and rye made a better growth than was anticipated, but being sown extremely late in most districts are going into the winter with less top than usual," says the summary. "That sown early is in about the same condition, because of the dryness of the soil at the time of seeding and for several weeks afterward. The acreage of wheat is greater than that of last year, but the extreme dryness of the soil in the central and eastern districts hindered plowing in many instances until too late for seedings, and greatly lessened the contemplated acreage. The acreage last year was much below normal, and the increase this year is not sufficient to overcome that loss, hence it is still less than normal for the state as a whole. The condition of the growing rye crop is slightly better than that of wheat, and the acreage shows an increase over that sown a year ago.

"A special inquiry relative to the bean crop of the state was recently sent to several hundred of the bureau's regular correspondents in the bean growing counties and to a special list of bean buyers. Nearly all responded to the questions asked and the information thus obtained is of general interest. The average yield for acre is found to be 6.6 bushels, which makes a total production for the state of 3,102,000 bushels. The average 'pick' is 6.6 pounds per bushel or 11 per cent of the crop, leaving a crop of choice hand-picked stock of 2,761,000 bushels, which at prevailing prices is worth approximately \$16,500,000 to the producers.

"The unusually small yield this year was due chiefly to the unseasonably hot and dry weather in July, which blasted many of the blooms on the early planted crop. A second setting of pods on these, and the late-planted crop, gave only a partial return as the drought continued in most of the heavy-producing counties throughout the growing season, causing the pods to be short and poorly filled. The crop matured slowly and unevenly and severe frosts did extensive damage during the latter half of September, these immature beans constituting practically all of the 'pick' as an thracose, the disease which caused such widespread damage in 1914 and 1915, did not develop to any material extent this year.

"The yield and 'pick' vary widely within short distances due to the uneven distribution of temperature and moisture conditions over the various soils comprising the bean districts of the state. The inquiry also shows that about 10 per cent of the planted acreages was not harvested; this abandonment was chiefly confined to the eastern and central parts of the state."

FERRIS' AIDE TO HOLD JOB

E. C. Austin, Democrat, Will be Private Secretary to Gov.-Elect Sleeper.

Lansing—E. C. Austin of Battle Creek, who has been private secretary to Governor Ferris during the last six months, will remain in the executive office temporarily at least, in the same capacity under Governor-elect Sleeper. Sleeper has asked Austin to continue as his private secretary for a time, and Austin is willing to stay. Inasmuch as Austin is a Democrat, a unique situation has been created, and it is the first time in the history of the state, it is said, that a Democrat will be private secretary to a Republican governor.

G. Fred Carson of Bay City has been appointed executive clerk and secretary of the pardon board. Carson has been secretary to Congressmen George Loud. He served in the executive office during the Warner administration.

MICHIGAN STATE ITEMS

George C. Chapman, formerly of Kalamazoo and for several years master mechanic of the Chicago, Kalamazoo & Saginaw railway, died at Lansing.

John Wibert, 80 years old, a veteran of the Civil war, is dead at Hastings.

Because of alleged mistreatment of inmates at Marquette county poor farm and infirmary, a special committee of five was appointed to investigate the methods employed in the care of inmates, by the county board of supervisors. This action was taken following several complaints by inmates in letters to relatives and friends regarding the food served them, the methods used in cooking it, and also against alleged mistreatment.

Conductor Ellisworth Parrish told a coroner's jury at Kalamazoo that he accepted the blame for the street car accident on the Bryant street loop which a week ago resulted in one death and the injury of five persons. Parrish said it was a rule of the company to pass a switch point against a danger signal. He explained that he had waited for the ill-fated car driven by W. A. Spangler, victim of the crash, and finally had come to the conclusion that the car had passed and that Conductor Jeddikin had failed to reverse the signal.

MICHIGAN NEWS BRIEFS

Publishers of Newaygo county will raise the price of their weekly papers from \$1 to \$1.50 a year, commencing January 15.

Leroy H. White, real estate dealer, of Kalamazoo, and a former pastor in the Baptist churches at Romeo and Manistee, died of cancer of the stomach.

John Bruinger, living four miles southeast of Dexter, dropped dead a few minutes after he returned home from helping his brother-in-law butcher hogs.

Two hundred milk producers of Muskegon county will meet to enforce a demand for 20 cents a gallon for milk delivered to local distributors, the contract to run for all 1917.

Representative-Elect Fred L. Eaton of Saginaw is preparing a bill to be introduced in the next legislature providing for the censorship of moving pictures by the state.

The teachers' retiring fund board will meet in Lansing to appoint a secretary and to plan ways to put the teachers' pension fund law into operation as soon as possible.

Mrs. M. Grodi, 52 wife of David Grodi, a farmer of Berlin township, was found hanging dead from a rafter in a store-room adjoining her home. Despondency over ill health it is thought caused her act.

The proposed bill will authorize the appointment by the governor of one of the existing state boards as a board of censors to have the power to require the submission to it of all films to be shown in the state and to prohibit the exhibition of such pictures as it may deem objectionable.

Leo Rockland, 35 years old, of Flint, was killed by a Michigan Railway company interurban car near Birch Run, Saginaw county. He was lying on the track when struck. An unstamped postcard in his pocket was addressed to a brother, Dick Rockland, 287 West Canfield avenue, Detroit.

Eight recent burglars and two hold-ups in Grand Rapids are cleared up with the arrest of Verne Stoddard, Gerrit Rensler and James Lee, all former convicts at Ionia reformatory. Stoddard maintained headquarters just across the street from the local police station, and much of the loot was found there.

A warrant has been issued for the arrest of Edward Guild, manager for Armour & Co., of Battle Creek, charging him with selling cold storage eggs as fresh. The eggs are believed to be some of the 70,000,000 "cornered" by James E. Wetts, Chicago egg king. They were sold by Mr. Guild, the complaint alleges to I. L. Webb, a grocer.

When Mrs. Ralph Belmonte of Marquette, awoke December 27, she found her nine children unconscious as the result of escaping coal gas from a stove. She dragged the children outside and fell unconscious. The children were soon recovered, but Mrs. Belmonte's condition is serious. The family had a similar experience two weeks ago.

Hitching his Christmas sled to the front runner of a bob-sled, loaded with hay, which passed his home, Edwin Maher, 5 years old, of Pontiac, fell under the rear runner and was run over. The child was rushed to the City hospital where no external injuries could be found, but he died. Coroner O. C. Farmer will hold an inquest.

Nearly 1,000 automobile licenses for 1917 were issued at the Detroit office of the secretary of state in the majestic building, December 23, and when the office was closed at 3 p. m. every available inch of space in the big office was used for the "storage" of waiting applicants, and then the doors closed upon a long waiting line in the hall.

If Battle Creek decides that it wants tuberculosis tested milk, farmers will object unless the price is raised, according to a statement issued by Geo. Wirt, president of the Calhoun County Milk Producers' association. According to Mr. Wirt, members of the association will refuse to submit their herds to the tuberculosis test until the measure becomes a state law.

Major Samuel D. Pepper, judge-advocate of the Michigan National Guard left for El Paso to resume border duty. He is the judge-advocate on the staff of Major-General George H. Bell, Jr., commanding the Eleventh division and the department of El Paso. He has been on leave of absence for more than a month to attend to his duties as an assistant attorney-general.

Resolutions favoring the adoption by the state of all Michigan trunk highways were unanimously adopted at a meeting at Sault Ste. Marie. The meeting was called as the result of a report that State Commissioner Rogers intended spending \$800,000 in federal award money in Baraga county, leaving the remaining counties of the upper peninsula with practically nothing. There is strong opposition to the proposed plan of the commissioner.

Directors of the Union National bank submitted to their stockholders plans to erect an eight-story office building at Muskegon, giving Muskegon its first modern office building more than five stories high.

Olbert Gates, 15 years old, was shot in the right eye by Earl Bundy, 14 years old, at Grand Rapids. The boys were hunting sparrows. Young Bundy received a high power air rifle for a Christmas present and the boys were trying it out. Gates will lose the sight of his eye.

Frank Hart, 72 years old, who for years conducted a coal dock at Marine City, died suddenly at his home. He was well known to lake vesselsmen, having supplied fuel for boats on the St. Clair river for more than 40 years.

Holding that a four-year-old child is not a competent witness in a criminal trial in Michigan, Superior Judge Dunham at Grand Rapids directed a verdict of not guilty in the case of Claude Holloway, charged with a serious offense by Carson F. Cramer, the child's father.

TEUTON INVASION OF MOLDAVIA BEGUN

FIELD MARSHAL VON MACKEN-SEN'S ARMY IS MORE THAN FIVE MILES OVER BORDER.

RUSSIANS ARE DRIVEN BACK

Three Teuton Armies Are Driving Their Way Toward Braila Which Is Expected to Fall Any Moment.

The Teuton invasion of Moldavia is now under way. General Gero's forces, forming the left-wing of Field Marshal von Mackensen's army, are attacking the Sereth front, is more than five miles within the Moldavian border, according to official admission from the Petrograd war office. "The enemy," says the Russian official statement, "attacked the Rumanians on the front north and south of the river Kasov (Casim), eight versts east of the Moldavian frontier." (A verst is about two-thirds of a mile.) The Russian statement admits further that the Teuton center is only 13 miles west of Focsani and that the right is only 10 miles from Braila.

Russians Forced Back. Focsani, the pivotal point of the fortified Sereth line, is the objective of three armies driving against it from the north, south and west. The fall of Braila is expected momentarily by Berlin.

"The Danube army," says the German report, "has forced the enemy back into the bridgehead of Braila." At the vital point of the whole 400-mile line, from the Pinsk marshes to the Black sea, the Russians suffered serious reverses, according to the German statement, which is borne out and supplemented by Russian official admissions.

It becomes more and more apparent that Mackensen proposes to launch a concerted offensive along this whole huge battle front, as soon as the Sereth line has fallen.

Reports of Both Sides.

Briefly summarized, this is what each side reports: Petrograd admits the Teutons forced the Rumanians to withdraw to within 13 miles of Focsani; the Russians on the whole line between Focsani and the Danube raised new positions, though without pressing down from the enemy's flank. In Dobruja a force of 23,000 Teuton troops threw the Muscovites back to the next line of defense.

Teuton attacks were beaten off, however, the Russian war office asserts, on the Buzen river and along the Buzen-Braila railway, as well as to the west of the important Danube port. In a fierce battle south of Pinsk the right wing of Prince Leopold of Bavaria scored a short-lived success, the Russians wresting from the attackers a position they gained after three violent assaults. Further south a Teuton offensive movement was stifled by the Russian barrier fire.

GOVERNOR REFUSED OFFICE

Large Crowds Fill Capitol Grounds to Hear Inaugural Address—Hunt Refuses to Give Up Office.

Phoenix, Ariz.—Thomas E. Campbell Republican, was inaugurated governor of Arizona. There were no inaugural ceremonies for Governor G. W. P. Hunt, incumbent, who claims the office, but when Governor Campbell went to the executive offices he found them locked.

Governor Campbell delivered his inaugural address to a great crowd that filled the capitol grounds. There was no serious disturbance. Scores of armed deputies were scattered throughout the assemblage. Immediately after his address Governor Campbell proceeded to the executive offices. He found a deputy on guard there, who said because it was a legal holiday he was under instructions to admit no one. A formal demand for admittance was made and the governor withdrew.

Governor Hunt left the capitol shortly before Governor Campbell arrived, declaring he would be at his desk January 2. Governor Campbell announced he considered the oath of office he took before a notary public sufficient to entitle him to the governorship. Therefore he had not insisted on a formal ceremony at the capitol New Year day.

Memorandum proceedings already have been commenced in the supreme court to compel Governor Hunt to relinquish the office of chief executive.

Grover Ream, 27 years old, is Ann Arbor's latest smallpox victim. His is the eighth local case in the last four weeks. He is in the contagious ward.

Figures compiled by the Detroit board of health show 37 deaths from pneumonia last week, while in the corresponding period of 1915 there were 63 deaths, the heaviest toll for one week during the epidemic that took more than 1,000 lives.

Dr. Henry J. Ounsbury, confessed slayer of Mayor Krumer, 19-year old wife and mother, is dead. Pneumonia, coupled with a weakened heart and worry over the crime, caused the death of the physician at the Receiving hospital in Detroit.

Holland—The residence of Rev. S. Zwemer at Cairo, Egypt, narrowly escaped demolition and the lives of the missionary and his family were endangered in a recent Zeppelin raid, when a bomb was dropped in front of their home.

10 CENT "CASCARETS" IF BILIOUS OR COSTIVE

For Sick Headache, Sour Stomach, Sluggish Liver and Bowels—They work while you sleep.

Furred Tongue, Bad Taste, Indigestion, Sallow Skin and Miserable Headaches come from a torpid liver and clogged bowels, which cause your stomach to become filled with undigested food, which sours and ferments like garbage in a swill barrel. That's the first step to untold misery—indigestion, foul gases, bad breath, yellow skin, mental fears, everything that is horrible and nauseating. A Cascaret to-night will give your constipated bowels a thorough cleansing and straighten you out by morning. They work while you sleep—a 10-cent box from your druggist will keep you feeling good for months.—Adv.

DESTROYED STOCKS OF FLOUR

How a New York Mob Dealt With Food Speculators—Some Eighty Years Ago.

These times of corners on eggs and flour by speculators and owners of refrigerator plants recall the days of panic in 1830-37, when banks closed, and even the government was unable to meet its obligations. Coal was \$10 a ton and flour \$12 a barrel, and so great was the distress that a meeting was held in City Hall park, the notable reading: "Bread, wheat, rent, fuel! The voice of the people shall be heard!"

"Bitt Hart in Washington street, who was holding 80,000 barrels of flour for higher prices, was denounced and a mob attacked his warehouse and destroyed much of his stock after he had refused to sell to the people at the old price.

Then when the militia arrived the crowd visited Herrick & Co.'s warehouse, and there they were outwitted by a very smart clerk, who said: "Don't destroy the flour, but let everyone who can, shoulder a barrel of flour and take it home to his family." To this all agreed, and hundreds of homes were immediately amply supplied. Herrick saved much of his stock, and quiet was restored to the town.—New York Tribune.

WINTER THE TIME TO WALK

Exercise in the Cold Air Will Be Found Both Enjoyable and Beneficial.

"Winter weather diminishes greatly the time spent in the open air by those who ride in motorcars. It comes near putting bicycles out of use. From steamboats to canoes there is almost entire cessation of water outings. All of which means that more walking instead of less ought to be done in cold weather. There is no other way of moving about in the open air, which keeps a healthy person's feet so warm and brings such a glow of warmth from the body itself. If the pedestrian is properly clad, especially in respect to keeping dryshod, all of the effects of winter walking should be beneficial. With a little care and discretion such an exercise can be made as agreeable as it is wholesome. Rightly timed and kept within bounds, winter walking is a good precaution against the ill effects of sedentary life and too much indoor air.

If They Could Keep It Up. There have been big men in Wall street who did all the work themselves, who attended to every minute item, who were from Missouri in regard to every point in any proposition put up to them. One of these marvels was among the very greatest financiers the country ever had; but he didn't last long, and there have been few others like him. If a man with the first order of brains and ability could only keep it up, there is nothing to prevent his owning the United States. If E. H. Harriman could have kept on 15 or 20 years longer at the pace he was going he would have gobbled up all the railroads in sight, and he was just getting a strangle hold on the big banks. He conquered every square foot of territory as he went along. There was no force on earth to stop him except premature death—and now he is almost forgotten.—A. W. Atwood in the Saturday Evening Post.

No One Left. Magistrate—This man was a stranger to you? Then why did you pick a quarrel with him? Kelly—All my friends is away on their holidays.—London Answers.

Mathematical Item. "What is the unknown quantity?" "What you get when you buy a ton of coal."

Only One "BROMO QUININE" Get the genuine call for full name LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE. Look for diamond of E. W. GIBBY. Cures a Cold in One Day. See.

A good heating system in the farmhouse is convenient, economical and comfortable.

Give what you have; to someone it may be better than you dare to think.—Longfellow.

The motorcar is fast becoming a necessity in marketing fruits and vegetables.

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"Both Losing Ventures"

"They married for money."

"Well, they're no more disappointed than I am. I bought mining stock for the same purpose."

That's one of Eddie Guest's jokes. Many who have bought mining stock will see more tragedy than comedy in it. And mining stock is only ONE of similar tragedies.

Last week, in Philadelphia, Federal authorities unearthed a gas and electric "great profits" promising swindle in which the public had sunk \$2,500,000.00 for absolutely worthless "stock."

Can you afford to take a "1,000-to-1" chance? As Billy Sunday says, "5% First Mortgage Bonds and a night's rest should be better than 15% and insomnia."

Urban Realty Mortgage Company
46-48 W. Congress Street
Detroit, Michigan

Window Screens in Georgia. In the city of Athens, Ga., a housing survey made recently revealed that of 730 living rooms occupied by negroes only 39 had doors and windows screened. Yet malaria is very prevalent among the southern negroes.

SOUR, ACID STOMACHS, GASES OR INDIGESTION

Each "Pape's Diaphepsin" digests 5000 grains food, ending all stomach misery in five minutes.

Time it! In five minutes all stomach distress will go. No indigestion, heartburn, sourness or belching of gas, acid, or eructations or undigested food, no dizziness, bloating, foul breath or headache.

Pape's Diaphepsin is noted for its speed in regulating upset stomachs. It is the surest, quickest stomach remedy in the whole world—and besides it is harmless. Put an end to stomach trouble forever by getting a large fifty-cent case of Pape's Diaphepsin from any drug store. You realize in five minutes how needless it is to suffer from indigestion, dyspepsia or any stomach disorder. It's the quickest, surest and most harmless stomach doctor in the world.—Adv.

Potash is being made by a West Virginia company from the waste stems of tobacco plants.

Grackles and blue jays often destroy eggs and nestlings of other birds.

Boschee's German Syrup
the universal remedy for colds or bronchitis. Stands pre-eminent today after more than half a century of successful treatment of the many disorders arising from exposure.—25c and 75c sizes at all druggists and dealers everywhere.

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Local News

GRAYLING, THURSDAY, JAN. 4

All aboard for 1917.
1917 is easy to write—when you
think of it.

For sale—My retail coal business.
J. M. Bunting.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. McFalls spent
New Year's in Detroit.

Holger Hanson of the Bank spent
New Year's with friends in Bay City.
Miss Betty Balhoff of Bay City, has
been spending the holidays here with
her parents.

Master Carl Hanson spent last week
visiting relatives and friends in Jo-
hannesburg.

Miss Eva Ryan of Saginaw was a
guest of her sister, Mrs. A. J. Joseph
over New Year's.

Miss Margrethe Bauman returned
yesterday from a few days spent the
guest of friends in Flint.

Misses Arvilla Tetu and Lucie Mc-
Phee are spending the week with
friends at West Branch.

Miss Margaret Joseph and Louis
Joseph returned to their school duties
at Milwaukee last Monday.

The Hospital Aid society will meet
next Thursday afternoon, January 11,
at the home of Mrs. Charles L. Trom-
ble.

Dr. and Mrs. C. A. Canfield have
been enjoying a few days' visit from
the latter's sister, Miss Floss Miller
of Detroit.

Mr. and Mrs. M. Brenner and fam-
ily are spending the week in Detroit.
Henry Joseph is acting night watch
during Mr. Brenner's absence.

Miss Bernadette Cassidy entertained
Miss Marguerite Johnson of Rose
City a number of days of last week.
Miss Johnson is a teacher in the Kin-
dergarten in the schools at Rose City.

The regular annual meeting and
election of officers of the Grayling
Board of trade will be held at Soren-
son's furniture store, Wednesday
evening, Jan. 17, at 7:00 o'clock sharp.
Members please be present.

Miss Alice Brink of Bay City has
been spending the past week with her
many friends here. Miss Ruth An-
derson, also of Bay City, was a guest
of Miss Alice Brink and Miss Fern
Armstrong over New Year's.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Graham of Flint
arrived last week to visit their parents
and friends. The former returned to
Flint Monday to resume his work at
the Buick Auto works, but Mrs. Gra-
ham expects to remain for several
weeks more.

Mrs. Lee White and little son of
Royal Oak, and Mrs. Leo White of
Adrian, are visiting their mother, Mrs.
Clara McLeod for a few weeks. The
latter, who had been visiting here re-
turned yesterday from a few days' visit
in Ontario.

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My Coal Business

Well Established

On account of my not
having time to look after
this business properly, to-
gether with my telephone
work, must sell out. Good
opportunity for the right
man.

See me quick for Terms
and Particulars.

J. M. Bunting

Phone 713

Byron W. King, Jan. 10.

With this issue the *Avalanche* is
starting in on its 39th year.

Long life and much happiness to
you, and we'll do our best to keep you
company.

Mrs. H. P. Hanson entertained a
few friends of Johannesburg over
New Year's.

Thomas Cassidy, who had been on
the sick list for the past week, is re-
covering nicely again.

You will be pleased with the new
1917 line of Studebaker cars. A. M.
Lewis, Studebaker Dealer.

The fellow who does it today instead
of tomorrow seldom has to ponder
over the mistakes of yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Sidney Graham of
Detroit, are spending the week among
relatives and friends of Grayling.

Paul Ford visited his wife here over
Christmas. They both returned to
Detroit the latter part of last week.

Hereafter all barber shops will be
closed at 10:00 o'clock on Saturday
nights. Hair cutting will be 35c after
January 15th.

B. E. Kline of Akron, Ohio and Wil-
lard Cohen of Detroit were guests at
the Mrs. A. Kraus home over New
Year's.

The county board of supervisors are
in session at the Court house this
week, for their annual January ses-
sion.

The Grange will hold an oyster din-
ner in the G. A. R. hall, on Saturday,
January 6th. All Grangers are in-
vited to be present.

Taxes are now due and the rolls for
the collection of state and county tax-
es are now at the Bank of Grayling,
ready to receive payments.

The Men's gymnasium classes for
the winter will start next Friday even-
ing, Jan. 5th at the Danish gymnasi-
um, with L. C. Bundgaard as instruc-
tor.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles L. Tromble
returned the latter part of last week
after spending Christmas visiting their
daughter, Mrs. Guy E. Bradley and
family in Detroit.

L. C. Bundgaard and his bride ar-
rived home Monday, from a short hon-
ey-moon spent in the southern part of
the state. They have the happy con-
gratulations and best wishes of many
friends.

Big January Money-Saving sale, be-
ginning next Saturday. Lasts ten
days. Come in early. Plenty of clerks
to wait on you. See my full page ad-
vertisement on the last page.

The regular monthly meeting of
the M. E. Ladies' aid will be held at
the home of Mrs. Oscar Hanson, Fri-
day afternoon at 2:30. The officers
for the year will be elected at this
meeting. All members are urged to
be present.

Official returns of the state board of
Canvassers placed the official election
results as follows: The vote on pro-
hibition was, for, 353,378; against, 284,
754; majority for, 68,024; Home Rule,
for, 236,572; against, 378,871; majority
against, 122,299; Hughes carried Michi-
gan by 52,322 over Wilson; Steeper
defeated Sweet for governor by 99,
284; Congressman-elect Carrie defeat-
ed Haller by 8,134.

The next number on the high school
entertainment course will be given by
Dr. Byron W. King, President of the
Pittsburgh School of Oratory, next
Wednesday evening, January 10, in
the school auditorium. Dr. King is a
lecturer and entertainer of national
reputation. Supt. Ellsworth has heard
him on four different occasions and
will guarantee satisfaction. Admis-
sion 25 cents. Reserved seats, 10c
extra. Seats will be on sale Saturday
morning at the Central drug store.

The reserved seats for Rejuvenation,
that will be presented here at the
Temple theatre, Wednesday evening
January 17, by Clara Vaughan-Wales
and her company of Lyceum players,
will be on sale soon. The prizes will
be 50 and 75 cents. This is a guaran-
teed production and is coming here
under the auspices of the K. of P.
lodge. Watch for the opening of the
reserved seat sale. This is a three act
comedy drama and was written es-
pecially for this company. Be sure
and see it.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. W. A.
McNeal was the scene of a pretty
party New Year eve, when a small
company gathered to watch the old
year out and to welcome 1917, and also
to help celebrate two birthdays. At
eleven o'clock a dainty supper was
served. After the new year had fully
established itself as a matter of cer-
tainty the guests departed for their
respective homes. Those present be-
sides the host and hostess were Mr.
and Mrs. Carl England and Master
Carl, Mrs. Chevalier, Mrs. Carr and
Miss Nora Nye.

Mr. and Mrs. Rasmus Hanson were
host and hostess at a large dinner
party at Shoppengon's Inn, New
Year day at one o'clock. There were
about sixty present, and an elaborate
four course dinner was nicely served
by a number of young ladies. The
tables for the dinner were beautiful
with large vases of pink, red and
white carnations, which after the din-
ner were distributed to the ladies,
while the gentlemen were given
"smokes." When all were seated at
the tables T. W. Hanson in his pleas-
ant way extended a welcome to all
the guests and wished them a very
Happy New Year. The guests in-
cluded the members of the Hanson
and Michelson families, and the head
employees of the Salling, Hanson
company and their wives. It was a
pleasant affair and was very much en-
joyed by those present.

If the District of Columbia goes dry
won't there be an awful scramble to
get home again!

Misses Clara Nelson and Leora Eli-
worth returned to the State Normal
college at Ypsilanti Monday.

Miss Anna Boeson returned home
Tuesday from a few days' visit with
Miss Maude Soderquist of Bay City.

Hathaway's glasses will help to
make the new year happy, by remov-
ing the pain and discomfort due to de-
fective eyes.

You can get four standard maga-
zines one year for 25 cents extra by
renewing your subscription to the
Avalanche.

Mrs. H. W. Wolf of Chicago was a
guest of Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Hanson
over Sunday, and while here attended
the masquerade party of the Social
club.

Lieut. Hardin C. Sweeney left here
last Saturday on orders from the War
Department, for Ft. Leavenworth,
Kan., where he was to report about
January 1.

Free—A beautiful 30 inch doll, with
every 10c purchase of candy, from
now to Feb. 1. We give you a guess
at the number of peanuts in the glass
jar in the window. The one guessing
correct or nearest so gets the doll free.
Grayling Coffee & Tea Store.

Mr. and Mrs. Olaf Michelson started
on Tuesday for an extended tour thru
the west. They will visit the largest
cities and places of interest of that
part of the country and are planning,
before their return, to visit the Ha-
waiian islands. They will be accom-
panied a part of the trip by Mr. and
Mrs. Thomas Woodfield of Jackson.

The members of the Social club en-
joyed a masquerade party at the club
rooms Saturday evening. Everyone
entered into the spirit of the affair
and the costumes were unique and
varied, causing much merriment. At
12:00 horns, confetti, and streamers
of colored paper were passed out, and
in an instant the "tossing" would have
done credit to Coxie's army. It was a
jolly affair and will not soon be for-
gotten by those present.

Mr. and Mrs. O. Palmer received a
big box from Bartow, Florida, last
week, sent by Mrs. F. L. Brainerd,
who will be well remembered here as
Miss Frieda Niles, a graduate of our
high school. The box contained a
sample lot of oranges from their own
orchard grove in that state. The
oranges marked "sweet" we seldom if
ever see in our market, were immense
in size, and color and in real sweet-
ness. The others were wrapped and
marked, as "pine apple," which are
very early; the "Valencia," a long
keeper, "Harts Late," will keep till
spring, the "Len-Gun-Gun," or
"Chinaman," as they call it there, is
green at this time, and will keep to
next fall. It is claimed they will
keep on the trees for two or three
years. A sample of "Limes," which
are perfect for lemonade and of "ba-
nanas" which they call "Nigger chok-
ers" in that state. The Setuna or-
anges and "Tangerines" are just
ready to eat, and the "Kumquats"
ready for preserves. The "Cata
Quavat" used principally for pre-
serves, and good eating after they are
cooked. Their odor as oranges, is
better than their taste. The "ba-
nanas" were large and finer than we
get in our market, and called "Nigger
Chokers" there. They were immense.
The "grape fruit" was about 6 inches
in diameter, and the finest we ever
saw. If Frieda and her husband had
been here with her mother and brother
the "Palmer house" would have been
filled with Christmas joy.

MICHIGAN NEWS BRIEFS

Mistaking gasoline for kerosene,
Lillian Kaneski, fourteen year old girl
visiting relatives at Ramsay, Gogebic
county, was so badly burned that she
died.

Mrs. Mary Bernia, of Reese, has ob-
tained a part of the \$8,000 estate of
the late Benjamin Zumbach, of Bay
county, for which she sued other
heirs.

Detroit's assessed valuation under
the state tax commission's estimate is
about one-third that of the entire state
and amounts to \$1,065,841,280, on a
cash basis.

With a tonnage of 91,888,213 tons of
freight, the St. Mary's Falls canal
closed the season of 1916 on Dec. 19
with the highest record of tonnage
locked through in its history.

John S. McMillan and Miss Sera
Roberts, both of Monroe, were mar-
ried at St. Mary's rectory by Father
Henry Degryse. Mr. McMillan is pre-
sident of the Chamber of Commerce.

Suit for \$20,000 has been filed by
Sereel Chaus against Sheriff Oliver
on charges of false imprisonment.
at Pontiac. Chaus after being held
two weeks turned out the wrong man.

The largest beef animal that has
ever been slaughtered on the Menominee
river was killed recently when a
bull weighing 2,800 pounds was con-
signed to beef at a Menominee pack-
ing plant.

Newaygo has repealed the thirty-
year-old war over the location of the
county seat. The village has voted to
issue \$10,000 bonds to improve the lo-
cal courthouse if the county will move
its headquarters.

The supreme court refused the
mandamus asked for by Congressman
Samuel W. Benkes against the state
board of canvassers, compelling a re-
count for him in the Jackson county
returns of the last election.

The first weekly newspaper in Iron
county and one of the few in Clover-
land to have a linotype machine is
The Reporter, owned by Patrick
O'Brien. Twenty-nine years ago Pat
arrived in Iron River to take charge
of the paper.

The Michigan supreme court has at-

turned an order of the state railroad
commission requiring physical con-
nections between the toll-lines of the
Michigan State Telephone company
and the Citizens' Telephone company
of Traverse City.

Frank Lamont, alias Earl Lewis,
and Charles Denigan are under ar-
rest at Escanaba charged with at-
tempting to obtain \$500 each from
Postmaster John O'Morra and F. H.
Van Cleave, president of the First Na-
tional bank, by blackmail.

The declaration for a lawsuit, in
which owners of the Baker mine at
Stambaugh, Mich., are suing the Cor-
rigan-McKinney company, leasehold-
ers of the mine, for \$75,000 damages,
has been filed in Iron county circuit
court at Crystal Falls for alleged
diversion of ore.

Resolutions for adoption of a mem-
orial commemorating the life of the
late Prof. Jerome C. Knowlton of the
University of Michigan were adopted
by the Washtenaw Bar Association.
The Association will also present
similar memorial and resolutions to
the state supreme court.

As a result of an automobile acci-
dent between Monroe and Toledo,
Sheriff Cronenwett is holding Private
Ernest Deiner, of Company K,
which is now on the border, until he
investigates a rumor that the soldier
took \$300 from a trunk belonging to
Captain Godfrey, commanding the
company.

John Parker, aged seventy-three,
was killed, and Daniel Brown, aged
forty-five, was probably fatally wound-
ed by a bullet from Parker's farm near
Hastings, Brown, who was first at-
tacked, was saved by his shepherd
dog, which savagely attacked the animal
and gave the victim an opportunity
to escape.

Municipal authorities of Flint, Mus-
kegon, Swoosey and Holland assured
Mayor James B. Burch of Kalamazoo
that they would co-operate in a move-
ment to force an amendment of the
home rule act by the next legisla-
ture which would permit Michigan mu-
nicipalities to sell coal at retail from
municipal yards.

Talk of peace in Europe has not
frightened the managements of the
copper mining companies of the Lake
Superior region a whit, to judge from
their announcement, after the first
peace rumors, that bonus payments to
all employees would not only be con-
tinued but would be increased the first
half of 1917. Fifteen companies have
already made this announcement and
17,000 mine workers are affected.

Henry Ford won a double victory in
the supreme court when the court de-
nied the petition of John F. and
Horace Dodge for the further exten-
sion of the injunction against his ex-
penditure of the accumulated cash
dividends of the Ford Motor company
and shortly afterward practically
granted Mr. Ford's own petition ask-
ing that he be permitted to continue
the execution of the contracts for the
River Rouge smelting plant on the
condition that he file a bond protect-
ing the Dodge brothers from possibi-
loss.

Card of Thanks.

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Sorenson Bros. contest. Altho I did
not win the grand prize, I appreciate
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Indian Relics in St. Thomas.
Capt. Theodore de Booy of the American Indian museum, New York, has discovered on the Danish West Indian island of St. Thomas an Indian burial mound and much valuable evidence of aboriginal life. He is still working successfully on this discovery, the first ever made there. He has unearthed a Carib burying ground in which were found pottery and other interesting relics. Capt. de Booy, curator of the museum, returned from Santo Domingo last September with Indian relics that he had discovered in that country. He had an earthenware Indian, 18 inches high, that he believed had been used in religious ceremonies thousands of years ago. That was the principal specimen, but he had also about 2,000 articles which had been exhumed from 28 Indian graves.

Coal in the Arctic.
A very promising source of coal is Bear Island, in the Arctic ocean, a few hundred miles from Spitzbergen, but which has a great advantage of the latter place, also a source of coal inasmuch as shipments may be made at any time of the year. This is owing to its location on the edge of the Gulf stream drift, but as the current meets a cold one from the polar regions, the island is under a fog almost constantly. The Norwegian government intends establishing a wireless service and a meteorological station on the island. Its rock shores are inhabited by a great variety of seaweeds.

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New Tailors Sew on Buttons.
Tailors double their thread used to sew on buttons, make a knot, hold the knot in their teeth while they twist the thread; they use a needle and thread, then they put a pin across the button, and after the buttons are sewed on they remove the pin, and wind the thread around several times, making a kind of stem. This makes it more easy to button the garment. The buttons on children's waists should be sewed on this way, so more than one garment can be buttoned to the same waist.—National Magazine.

Handy Artificial Limbs.
The up-to-date artificial hand is quite a miracle of mechanism. In fact, it can do almost anything that an arm of flesh and bone can do. With it a man can carry a stick, an umbrella or hold a book, etc. He can use knife and fork quite as dexterously with a legible hand, hold a cricket bat or a billiard cue, a hammer or an ax, and pick up a pin!

Prehistoric Germs.
In these days, when disease microbes are so much discussed, it is hard to realize that disease germs have been on this earth for millions of years. The fact of their long existence isn't mere theory, for certain minute forms discovered in limestone formation prove conclusively that bacteria lived and flourished in prehistoric times. These prehistoric bacteria show many of the characteristics common to our twentieth-century germ.

Wood Alcohol.
Pure wood alcohol is the only substance which can be converted commercially into formaldehyde, which is universally used for disinfection against such contagious diseases as smallpox, scarlet fever and tuberculosis. The experts at the Forest Products laboratory have conducted extensive experiments on the production of grain or ethyl alcohol from wood and have been successful in experimental work in raising the yield and lowering the cost of production.

Product of the Bee Utilized.
Of course the great use for honey in old English days was to make mead and methuglin. Pilsy said mead had all the bad qualities of wine and none of the good ones. Mead was made both in the north and south of Europe, but in the south the grape was more popular, while in the north the product of the bee reigned supreme. Mead was the Saxon drink; but the Normans brought the grape wine from France with them; and it became a potent rival.

Your S-B Gun.
Inexpensive toys are often well made, but never proof against wear and hard usage, and all shooting weapons are subject to the latter. Most frequently the trigger fails to hold the spring plunger when the action is levered and in this case the catch has worn round. Simply unscrew the bolt on which the trigger piece pivots and file the catch sharp (a) the back, being careful to keep the angle the same. The plunger catch rarely wears down, but when it does get a new gun.

Playing Cards.
It is impossible to make anything like a positive statement about the origin of playing cards. They appeared in Spain about the year 1376, and from Spain and France spread all over the continent; but as to the time or place of their origin we are blissfully ignorant. Many things would seem to indicate the French origin of cards.

It is difficult to resist the romance in the statement that Manhattan Island was bought from the Indians for 24 worth of trinkets; and that the city, which now covers and overflows it, spends more than \$200,000,000 a year on upkeep alone. And it is impossible to resist the conviction that contemplation of the trinket transaction by descendants of the Indians who parted with Manhattan Island is not calculated to change their belief that the paleface was out for the long end of the bargain from the first.—Christian Science Monitor.

There are many customs which still proclaim the ancient rule and influence of Rome that have persisted through the centuries since the departure of her glory. For instance, there is the old Pyrrhic dance, the robes with bells on sleeves and girdles. The Romanians still shout in unison to prevent Saturn from hearing the voice of the infant Jupiter; and even their oxen proclaim the "glory that was Rome" in their names, for here you may see Caesar and Brutus as yoke fellows, and there Cassius and Augustus.

STATE BEAN CROP EARNS \$16,500,000

INVESTIGATORS ESTIMATE SALEABLE PRODUCTS AT 2,761,000 BUSHELS.

WHEAT MADE GOOD SHOWING

The Hot and Dry Weather of July Is Due to Small Yield of Early Planted Crops.

DETROIT—Crop conditions in Michigan during November are described as favorable in the summary issued by the United States department of agriculture.

"Wheat and rye made a better growth than was anticipated, but being sown extremely late in most districts are going into the winter with less top than usual," says the summary. "That sown early is in about the same condition, because of the dryness of the soil at the time of seeding and for several weeks afterward. The acreage of wheat is greater than that of last year, but the extreme dryness of the soil in the central and eastern districts delayed plowing in many instances until too late for seeding, and greatly lessened the contemplated acreage. The average last year was much below normal, and the increase this year is not sufficient to overcome that loss, hence it is still less than normal for the state as a whole. The condition of the growing rye crop is slightly better than that of wheat, and the acreage shows an increase over that sown a year ago."

"A special inquiry relative to the bean crop of the state was recently sent to several hundred of the bureau's regular correspondents in the bean growing counties and to a special list of bean buyers. Nearly all responded to the questions asked and the information thus obtained is of general interest. The average yield for acre is found to be 6.8 bushels, which makes a total production for the state of 3,102,000 bushels. The average 'pick' is 6.5 pounds per bushel or 31 per cent of the crop, leaving a crop of choice hand-picked stock of 2,761,000 bushels, which at prevailing prices is worth approximately \$16,500,000 to the producers."

"The unusually high yield this year was due chiefly to the unusually hot and dry weather in July, which blasted many of the blooms on the early planted crop. A second sowing of pods on these, and the late-planted crop, gave only a partial return as the drought continued in most of the heavy-producing counties throughout the growing season, causing the pods to be short and poorly filled. The crop matured slowly and unevenly and severe frosts did extensive damage during the latter half of September, these immature beans constituting practically all of the 'pick' as an atrochase, the disease which caused such widespread damage in 1914 and 1915, did not develop to any material extent this year."

"The yield and 'pick' vary widely within short distances due to the uneven distribution of temperature and moisture conditions over the variable soils comprising the bean districts of the state. The inquiry also shows that about 10 per cent of the planted acreages was not harvested, this abandonment was chiefly confined to the eastern and central parts of the state."

FERRIS' AIDE TO HOLD JOB

E. C. Austin, Democrat, Will be Private Secretary to Gov.-Elect Sleeper.

Lansing—E. C. Austin of Battle Creek, who has been private secretary to Governor Ferris during the last six months, will remain in the executive office temporarily at least, in the same capacity under Governor-elect Sleeper. Sleeper has asked Austin to continue as his private secretary for a time, and Austin is willing to stay. Inasmuch as Austin is a Democrat, a unique situation has been created, and it is the first time in the history of the state, it is said, that a Democrat will be private secretary to a Republican governor.

G. Fred Carson of Bay City has been appointed executive clerk and secretary of the board of directors. Carson has been secretary to Congressman George Loud. He served in the executive office during the Warner administration.

MICHIGAN STATE ITEMS

George C. Chapman, formerly of Kalamazoo and for several years master mechanic of the Chicago, Kalamazoo & Saginaw railway, died at Lansing.

John Wibert, 30 years old, a veteran of the Civil war, is dead at Hastings.

Because of alleged mistreatment of inmates at Marquette county poor farm and infirmary, a special committee of five was appointed to investigate the methods employed in the care of inmates by the county board of supervisors. This action was taken following several complaints by inmates in letters to relatives and friends regarding the food served them, the methods used in cooking it, and also against alleged mistreatment.

Conductor Ellsworth Parrish told a coroner's jury at Kalamazoo that he accepted the blame for the street loop accident on the Bryant street loop which a week ago resulted in one death and the injury of five persons. Parrish said it was a rule of the company never to pass a switch point against a danger signal. He explained that he had waited for the ill-fated car driven by W. A. Spangler, victim of the crash, and finally had come to the conclusion that the car had passed and that Conductor Judykins had failed to reverse the signal.

MICHIGAN NEWS BRIEFS

Publishers of Newaygo county will raise the price of their weekly papers from \$1 to \$1.50 a year, commencing January 15.

Leroy H. White, real estate dealer, of Kalamazoo, and a former pastor in the Baptist churches at Romeo and Manistee, died of cancer of the stomach.

John Bruinger, living four miles southeast of Dexter, dropped dead a few minutes after he returned home from helping his brother-in-law butcher hogs.

Two hundred milk producers of Muskegon county will meet to enforce a demand for 20 cents a gallon for milk delivered to local distributors, the contract to run for all 1917.

Representative-Elect Fred L. Eaton of Saginaw is preparing a bill to be introduced in the next legislature providing for the censorship of moving pictures by the state.

The teachers' retiring fund board will meet in Lansing to appoint a secretary and to plan ways to put the teachers' pension fund law into operation as soon as possible.

Mrs. M. Grodi, 62, wife of David Grodi, a farmer of Berlin township, was found hanging dead from a rafter in a storeroom adjoining her home. Despondency over ill health it is thought caused her act.

The proposed bill will authorize the appointment by the governor of one of the existing state boards as a board of censors, to have the power to require the submission to it of all films to be shown in the state and to prohibit the exhibition of such pictures as it may deem objectionable.

Leo Rockland, 35 years old, of Flint, was killed by a Michigan Railway company interurban car near Birch Run, Saginaw county. He was lying on the track when struck. An unexplained postcard in his pocket was addressed to a brother, Dick Rockland, 287 West Canfield avenue, Detroit.

Eight recent burglars and two hold-ups in Grand Rapids are cleared up with the arrest of Verne Stoddard, Gerrit Renier and James Lee, all former convicts at Ionia reformatory. Stoddard maintained headquarters just across the street from the local police station, and much of the loot was found there.

A warrant has been issued for the arrest of Edward Guild, manager for Armour & Co., of Battle Creek, charging him with selling cold storage eggs as fresh. The eggs are believed to be some of the 70,000,000 "cornered" by James E. Watt, Chicago egg king. They were sold by Mr. Guild, the complaint alleges to L. L. Webb, a grocer.

When Mrs. Ralph Belmore of Marquette, awoke December 27, she found her nine children unconscious as the result of escaping coal gas from a stove. She dragged the children outside and fell unconscious. The children soon recovered, but Mrs. Belmore's condition is serious. The family had a similar experience two weeks ago.

Hitching his Christmas sled to the front runner of a job-sled, loaded with hay, which passed his home, Edwin Maher, 5 years old, of Pontiac, fell under the rear runner and was run over. The child was rushed to the City hospital where no external injuries could be found, but he died. Coroner O. C. Farmer will hold an inquest.

Nearly 1,000 automobile licenses for 1917 were issued at the Detroit office of the secretary of state, in the Majestic building, December 28, and when the office was closed at 3 p. m. every available inch of space in the big office was used for the "storage" of waiting applicants, and then the doors closed upon a long waiting line in the hall.

If Battle Creek decides that it wants tuberculosis tested milk, farmers will object unless the price is raised, according to a statement issued by Geo. Wirt, president of the Calhoun County Milk Producers' association. According to Mr. Wirt, members of the association will refuse to submit their herds to the tuberculosis test until the measure becomes a state law.

Major Samuel D. Pepper, judge-advocate of the Michigan National Guard, left for El Paso to resume border duty. He is the judge-advocate on the staff of Major-General George H. Bell, Jr., commanding the Eleventh division and the department of El Paso. He has been on leave of absence for more than a month to attend to his duties as an assistant attorney-general.

Resolutions favoring the adoption by the state of all Michigan trunk highways were unanimously adopted at a meeting at Sault Ste. Marie. The meeting was called as the result of a report that State Commissioner Rogers intended spending \$300,000 in federal award money in Baraga county, leaving the remaining counties of the upper peninsula with practically nothing. There is strong opposition to the proposed plan of the commissioner.

Directors of the Union National bank submitted to their stockholders plans to erect an eight-story office building at Muskegon, giving Muskegon its first modern office building more than five stories high.

Gilbert Gates, 13 years old, was shot in the right eye by Earl Bundy, 14 years old, at Grand Rapids. The boys were hunting sparrows. Young Bundy received a high power air rifle for a Christmas present and the boys were trying it out. Gates will lose the sight of his eye.

Frank Hart, 72 years old, who for years conducted a coal dock at Marine City, died suddenly at his home. He was well known to lake vesselsmen, having supplied fuel for boats on the St. Clair river for more than 40 years.

Holding that a four-year-old child was not a competent witness in a criminal trial in Michigan, Superior Judge Dunham at Grand Rapids directed a verdict of not guilty in the case of Claude Holloway, charged with a series of offenses by Carson F. Cramer, the child's father.

TEUTON INVASION OF MOLDAVIA BEGUN

FIELD MARSHAL VON MACKENSEN'S ARMY IS MORE THAN FIVE MILES OVER BORDER.

RUSSIANS ARE DRIVEN BACK

Three Teuton Armies Are Driving Their Way Toward Braila Which Is Expected to Fall Any Moment.

The Teuton invasion of Moldavia is now under way. General Gero's forces, forming the left wing of Field Marshal von Mackensen's army, are attacking the Sereth front. It is more than five miles within the Moldavian border, according to official admission from the Petrograd war office. "The enemy," says the Russian official statement, "attacked the Rumanians on the front north and south of the river Kaslova (Caslova), eight versts east of the Moldavian frontier. A versts is about two-thirds of a mile."

The Russian statement admits further that the Teuton center is only 13 miles west of Focsa and that the right is only 10 miles from Braila.

Russians Forced Back.

Focsa, the pivotal point of the fortified Sereth line, is the objective of three armies driving against it from the north, north and west. The fall of Braila is expected momentarily by Berlin.

"The Danube army," says the German report, "has forced the enemy back into the bridgehead of Braila."

At the vital points of the whole 600-mile line from the Pinsk marshes to the Black sea, the Russians suffered serious reverses, according to the German statement, which is borne out and supplemented by Russian official admissions.

It becomes more and more apparent that Mackensen proposes to launch a concerted offensive along this whole huge battle front, as soon as the Sereth line has fallen.

Reports of Bath Sides.

Briefly summarized, this is what each side reports: Petrograd admits the Teutons forced the Rumanians to withdraw within 13 miles of Focsa; the Russians on the whole line between Focsa and the Danube retired to new positions, though without pressure from the enemy's flank; in Debouda a force of 23,000 Teuton troops threat the Muscovites back to "the next line of defense."

Teuton attacks were beaten off, however, the Russian war office asserts, on the Buzov river and along the Buzov-Braila railway, as well as to the west of the important Danube port.

In a fierce battle south of Pinsk the right wing of Prince Leopold of Bavaria scored a short-lived success, the Russians wresting from the attack a position they gained after three violent assaults. Further south a Teuton offensive movement was stifled by the Russian barrier fire.

GOVERNOR REFUSED OFFICE

Large Crowds Fill Capitol Grounds to Hear Inaugural Address—Hunt Refuses to Give Up Office.

Phoenix, Ariz.—Thomas E. Campbell, Republican, was inaugurated governor of Arizona. There were no inaugural ceremonies for Governor Campbell, but when Governor Campbell went to the executive offices he found them locked.

Governor Campbell delivered his inaugural address to a great crowd that filled the capitol grounds. There was no serious disturbance. Scores of armed deputies were scattered throughout the assemblage.

Immediately after his address Governor Campbell proceeded to the executive offices. He found a deputy on guard there, who said because it was a legal holiday he was under instructions to admit no one. A formal demand for admittance was made and the governor withdrew.

Governor Campbell left the capitol shortly before Governor Campbell arrived, declaring he would be at his desk January 2. Governor Campbell announced he considered the oath of office he took before a notary public sufficient to entitle him to the governorship. "Therefore he had not insisted on a formal ceremony at the capitol New Year's day."

Mandamus proceedings already have been commenced in the supreme court to compel Governor Hunt to relinquish the office of chief executive.

Grover Ream, 27 years old, is Ann Arbor's latest smallpox victim. His is the eighth local case in the last four weeks. He is in the contagious ward.

Figures compiled by the Detroit board of health show 37 deaths from pneumonia last week, while in the corresponding period of 1915 there were 63 deaths, the heaviest toll for one week during the epidemic that took more than 1,000 lives.

Dr. Henry Connsbury, confessed slayer of Mad "Kramer, 19-year old wife and mother, died. Pneumonia, coupled with a weakened heart and worry over the crime, caused the death of the physician at the Receiving hospital in Detroit.

Holland—The residence of Rev. S. Zwemer at Cairo, Egypt, narrowly escaped demolition and the lives of the missionary and his family were endangered in a recent Zeppelin raid, when a bomb was dropped in front of their home.

10 CENT "CASCARETS" IF BILIOUS OR COSTIVE

For Sick Headache, Sour Stomach, Sluggish Liver and Bowels—They work while you sleep.

Furred Tongue, Bad Taste, Indigestion, Sallow Skin and Miserable Headaches come from a torpid liver and clogged bowels, which cause your stomach to become filled with undigested food, which sours and ferments like garbage in a still barrel. That's the first step to untold misery—indigestion, foul gases, bad breath, yellow skin, mental fears, everything that is horrible and nauseating. A Cascaret to-night will give your constipated bowels a thorough cleansing and straighten you out by morning. They work while you sleep—a 10-cent box from your druggist will keep you feeling good for months.—Adv.

DESTROYED STOCKS OF FLOUR

How a New York Mob Dealt With Food Speculators Some Eighty Years Ago.

These times of corners on eggs and flour by speculators and owners of refrigerator plants recall the days of panic in 1830-37, when banks closed, and even the government was unable to meet its obligations. Flour was \$10 a ton and flour \$12 a barrel, and so great was the distress that a meeting was held in City Hall park, the notice reading: "Bread, wheat, rent, fuel! The voice of the people shall be heard!"

Ell Hart, in Washington street, who was holding 50,000 barrels of flour for higher prices, was denounced and a mob attacked his warehouse and destroyed much of his stock after he had refused to sell to the people at the old price.

Then when the militia arrived the crowd visited Hart's Co.'s warehouse, and there they were outwitted by a very smart clerk, who said: "Don't destroy the flour, but let every one who can, shoulder a barrel of flour and take it home to his family." To this all agreed, and hundreds of homes were immediately amply supplied. Hart's saved much of his stock, and quiet was restored to the town.—New York Tribune.

WINTER THE TIME TO WALK

Exercise in the Cold Air Will Be Found Both Enjoyable and Beneficial.

"Winter weather diminishes greatly the time spent in the open air by those who ride in motorcars. It comes near putting bicycles out of use. From steamboats to canoes there is almost entire cessation of water outings."

All of which means that more walking instead of less ought to be done in cold weather. There is no other way of moving about in the open air, which keeps a healthy person's feet so warm and brings such a glow of warmth from the body itself. If the pedestrian is properly clad, especially in respect to keeping dry, all of the effects of winter walking should be beneficial.

With a little care and discretion such exercise can be made as agreeable as it is wholesome. Rightly timed and kept within bounds, winter walking is a good precaution against the ill effects of sedentary life and too much indoor air.

If They Could Keep It Up.

There have been big men in Wall street who did all the work themselves, who attended to every minute item; who were from Missouri in regard to every point in any proposition put up to them. One of these methods was among the very greatest handicaps the country ever had; but he didn't last long, and there have been few others like him. If a man with the first order of brains and ability could only keep it up, there is nothing to prevent his owning the United States. If E. H. Harriman could have kept on 15 or 20 years longer at the pace he was going he would have gobbled up all the railroads in sight, and he was just getting a strangle hold on the big banks. He conquered every square foot of territory as he went along. There was no force on earth to stop him except premature death—and now he is almost forgotten.—A. W. Atwood in the Saturday Evening Post.

No One Left.

Magistrate—This man was a stranger to you! Then why did you pick a quarrel with him?

Kelly—All my friends is away on their holidays.—London Answers.

Mathematical Item.

"What is the unknown quantity?" "What you get when you buy a ton of coal."

Only One "BROMO UNTINE"

A good heating system in the farmhouse is convenient, economical and comfortable.

Give what you have; to someone it may be better than you dare to think.—Longfellow.

The motorcar is fast becoming a necessity in marketing fruits and vegetables.

"Both Losing Ventures"

"They married for money."

"Well, they're no more disappointed than I am. I bought mining stock for the same purpose."

That's one of Eddie Guest's jokes. Many who have bought mining stock will see more tragedy than comedy in it. And mining stock is only ONE of similar tragedies.

Last week, in Philadelphia, Federal authorities unearthed a gas and electric "great profit," promising swindle in which the public had sunk \$250,000.00 for absolutely worthless "stock."

Can you afford to take a "1,000-to-1" chance? As Billy Sunday says, "5% First Mortgage Bonds and a night's rest should be better than 15% and insomnia."

The 5% GUARANTEED First Mortgage Bond—Certificate issued by this company, a company of \$100,000 and \$1,000, is the most secure investment possible. Every \$1 of investment is secured by not more than 8% of actual income producing Detroit Real Estate, but also by the \$20,000 paid-up capital of this company. There's positively no risk—your income is certain—Your money absolutely safe.

Ask your BANKER. Send for Booklet.

Urban Realty Mortgage Company
46-48 W. Congress Street
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Window Screens in Georgia.

In the city of Athens, Ga., a housing survey made recently revealed that of 733 living rooms occupied by negroes only 30 had doors and windows screened. Yet malaria is very prevalent among the southern negroes.

SOUR, ACID STOMACHS, GASES OR INDIGESTION

Each "Pape's Diapiesin" digests 3000 grains food, ending all stomach misery in five minutes.

Time it! In five minutes all stomach distress will go. No indigestion, heartburn, sourness or belching of gas, acid, or eruptions of undigested food, no dizziness, bloating, foul breath or headache.

Pape's Diapiesin is noted for its speed in regulating upset stomachs. It is the surest, quickest stomach remedy in the whole world—and besides it is harmless. Put an end to stomach trouble forever by getting a large fifty-cent case of Pape's Diapiesin from any drug store. You realize in five minutes how needless it is to suffer from indigestion, dyspepsia or any stomach disorder. It's the quickest, surest and most harmless stomach doctor in the world.—Adv.

Potash is being made by a West Virginia company from the waste stems of tobacco plants.

Grackles and blue jays often destroy eggs and nestlings of other birds.

Bosch's German Syrup

the universal remedy for colds or bronchitis. Stands pre-eminent today after more than half a century of successful treatment of the many disorders arising from exposure. 25c and 75c sizes at all drug stores and dealers everywhere.

YOU CAN GET OUT A BOG SPAN OR THOROUGHPIN but you can clean them off promptly with

ABSORBINE

and you work the horse same time. Does not blister or remove the hair. \$2.00 per bottle, delivered. Will tell you more if you write. Book 4 M-free. ABSORBINE, the antiseptic liniment for man, reduces Varicose Veins, Ruptured Muscles of Ligaments, Sprained Joints, Wounds, Cuts, Burns, Allergic Eruptions, Itch, and all other skin diseases. Made in the U. S. A. by W. F. YOUNG, P. O. Box 210, Springfield, Mass.

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WE PLANT, BRING INTO BEARING ORLAND ALMOND GROVES OR RED FUND MOND GROVES WITH 6% GOVERNMENT REPORT AND LITERATURE FREE. BURR CO., 235 MONTGOMERY ST., SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF.

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W. N. U., DETROIT, NO. 1-1917.

When Tired and Nervous

If the end of the day finds you weary or irritable, with aching head and frayed nerves, you need something to tone and strengthen the system.

BEECHAM'S PILLS

are a remedy which quickly helps in restoring normal conditions. They act on the stomach, liver and bowels, and so renew the strength, and steady

The date
mind you,
Saturday,
Jan. 6, 1917,
at 8:30 a. m.

BIG MONEY-SAVING JANUARY SALE

For Ten Days, Commencing
Saturday, Jan. 6, at 8:30 a. m.

If you don't
head direct-
ly for this
store you
certainly
will be dull
in spirits

Since coming to Grayling I have been led every year by the so-called sales. This year I am yours to please and start with the big opening gun first. I must have room and am going to make room for goods I purchased early in order to hold down old prices, even if I must sacrifice at this early part of the season. Having purchased a sample line, consisting of ladies' muslin underwear, pants, corset covers, outing night gowns, skirts, also little sleepers and pajamas for children, small and large aprons in white and colors, waists, childrens' dresses in plaids, and undershirts. These were bought at 33 1-3 per cent discount from regular price and can be sold at prices that will astonish you. Don't miss this line.

Workingmen, Newcomers and Strangers

To you who have not been in this store there is a chance to get acquainted with the live wire. Positively I am no hand for sales where high prices are staring us in the face, but you all know who have entered this store the capacity and how utterly it is filled. This store should be filled with anxious purchasers from morning until night, if you knew the prices I am going to give you as Frank never does anything by halves. I have something else in my mind which I am going to tackle as soon as this sale is over. There isn't one of you that reads this bill, but if you found a dollar in front of you unexpectedly would think it was a great find. Positively this is the results of this forceful sale. I will be ready when the time comes and this will be

SATURDAY, JANUARY 6, 1917, STARTING AT 8:30 A. M.

You who haven't the money can have the goods laid away. Anything not as advertised in your estimation, money cheerfully returned.

LADIES

Ladies' Underwear Consisting of Separate and Union Suits	chance for you to take advantage and lay a few pair away, as I will be obliged to raise the prices.
Union suits worth 85c to 1.00, for 75c	
Union suits, Dutch neck, short sleeves worth 1.25, for 98c	
Separate pieces worth 35c for 25c	
One lot ladies' storm rubbers at 48c	
Ladies' sweaters, positively worth 2.50 to 3.50, for \$1.98 to \$2.48	
Ladies' Shoes Prices have greatly advanced. I have been able to hold the prices down and here is a	

Ladies' and Children's Coats

Here is a good chance to get them. The sizes are getting broken. Call early. I have a line of ladies' coats in all late styles, mind you, consisting of plaids, black caraculs, baby lamb, plush, fur trimmed. It will pay you to buy. Come and look early as this stock will soon be depleted of sizes. Good range of sizes now to select from and the prices are going to be cut from regular prices. Positively no use of telling you what I am going to do; come and see for yourself. If I didn't happen to have the size I might disappoint you. Enough said. Be ready when the gong sounds. It's up to you.

Bargains on Piece Goods

Prices have advanced from 3 to 5 cents per yard on piece goods. I am closing out my line at the old price

This is the place to get prices on all lines—Men's Gloves and Mitts, lined or unlined, Suit Cases, Traveling Bags.

Don't Forget the Date of this Big Sale
Saturday, January 6, 1917, at 8:30 a. m.

MEN

Arctics and Rubbers	
Men's 4-buckle arctics, worth 2.00 and 2.25, my price \$1.75	
Men's 4-buckle arctics, worth 2.50, my price \$1.98	
Men's 1-buckle arctics, worth 1.25 and 1.35, my price 98c	
One lot of men's storm rubbers, worth 1.00, for 85c	
One lot men's red U. S. high lace rubbers worth 3.00, for \$2.69	
One lot men's red U. S. high lace rubbers worth 3.50, for \$2.98	
Buckle or lace, One lot men's Huron rubbers, rolled edge, worth 2.00, for \$1.69	

Men's Underwear	
Men's single piece, heavy fleeced, shirts and drawers going at 42c, while they last. First come, first served. Can't be bought less than 60 to 75c today.	
One lot of men's wool underwear, positively worth 3.00 to 4.00 the suit, for \$2.85	

Men's Shirts and Suits	
One lot of men's working shirts, positively worth 75c this coming season, now 50c, while they last.	
Good dress shirts 69c, positively worth 85c.	
One line men's suits \$9.95, positively worth 12.00 and 12.50.	
One line at \$12.45, positively worth 15.00.	

Men's Sox	
Men's wool sox, slightly soiled, worth 25c, for 19c	
One line wool sox worth 35c, for 25c	
One line men's heavy sox, worth 65c, for 48c	

Sweaters, Mackinaws and Pants	
A big line of men's Sweaters and Mackinaws to select from.	
One line of sweaters at \$1.19, actually worth 1.75.	
Men's good heavy sweaters, worth 5.00, for \$3.98	
One lot good heavy sweaters, worth 8.50 and 9.00, for \$6.89 —in grays, reds and blues.	
Mackinaws worth 6.50, for \$4.98	
One line Mackinaws worth 7.00 and 8.50, for \$6.85	
Men's Sox and Malone pants at \$3.50, dark grays.	
One line of good wool mixed pants, worth 2.50, for \$1.69 and \$1.85	
One line of good Sox striped pants, worth 3.00, for \$2.45	
A good line of dress and working pants.	

Boys' Overcoats	
One lot of boys' overcoats, worth 4.50, for \$2.48 . Sizes 10, 12, 14. Mothers, pay attention.	

Now strangers, listen at my final closing of this bill. I want you to come to this store and get acquainted. A customer once, a customer at all times. Courteous treatment and generous at heart is what has brought me before the people in so short a time at Grayling. Remember this sale is short but sweet—10 days only, mind you. Put that down in your memory. This bill, well distributed will be all the notice you will get. So don't be disappointed. Ask for one if you don't receive it.

FRANK DREESE

The Lemon Colored Store opposite the Jail

GRAYLING, MICH.